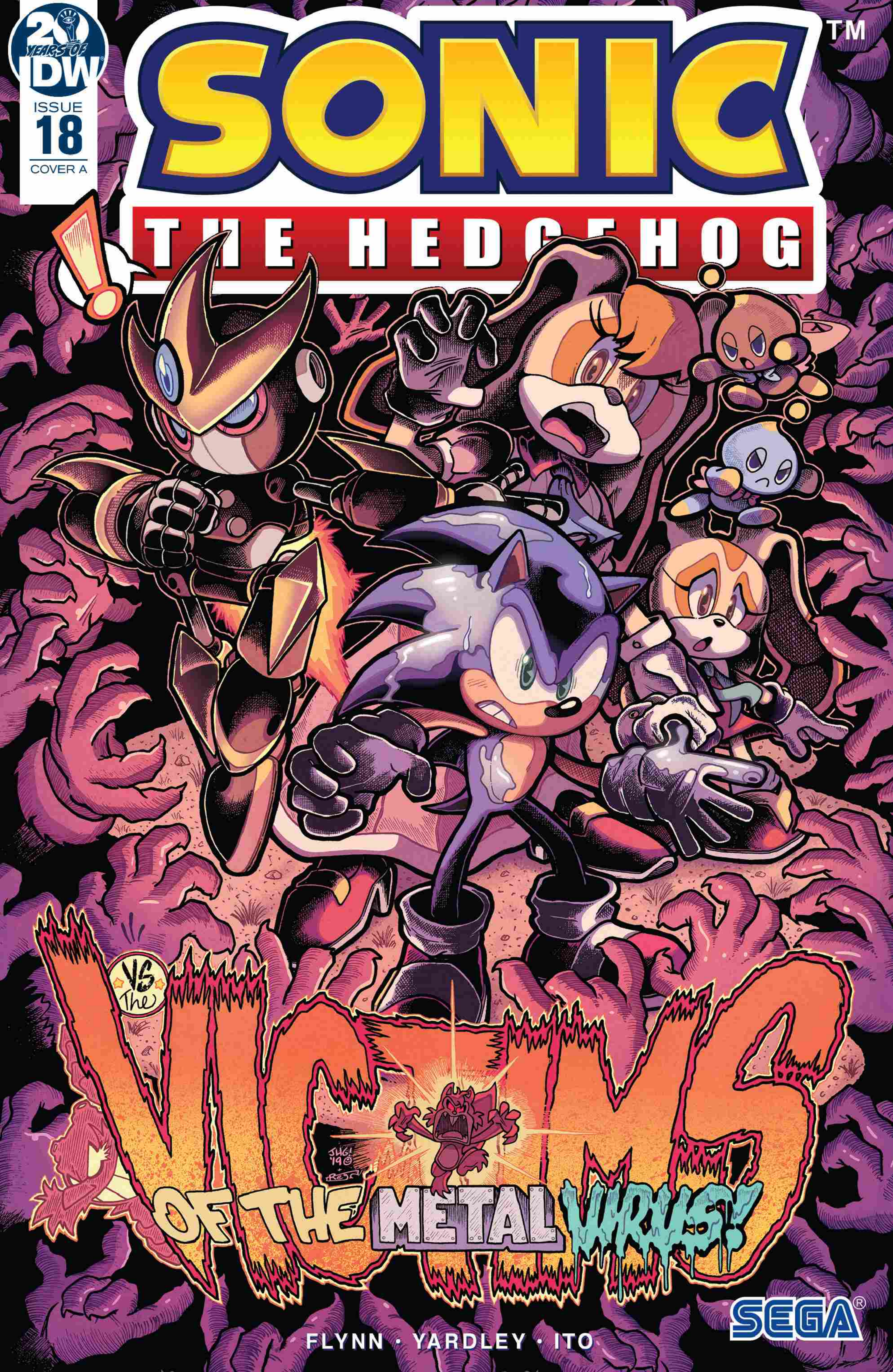


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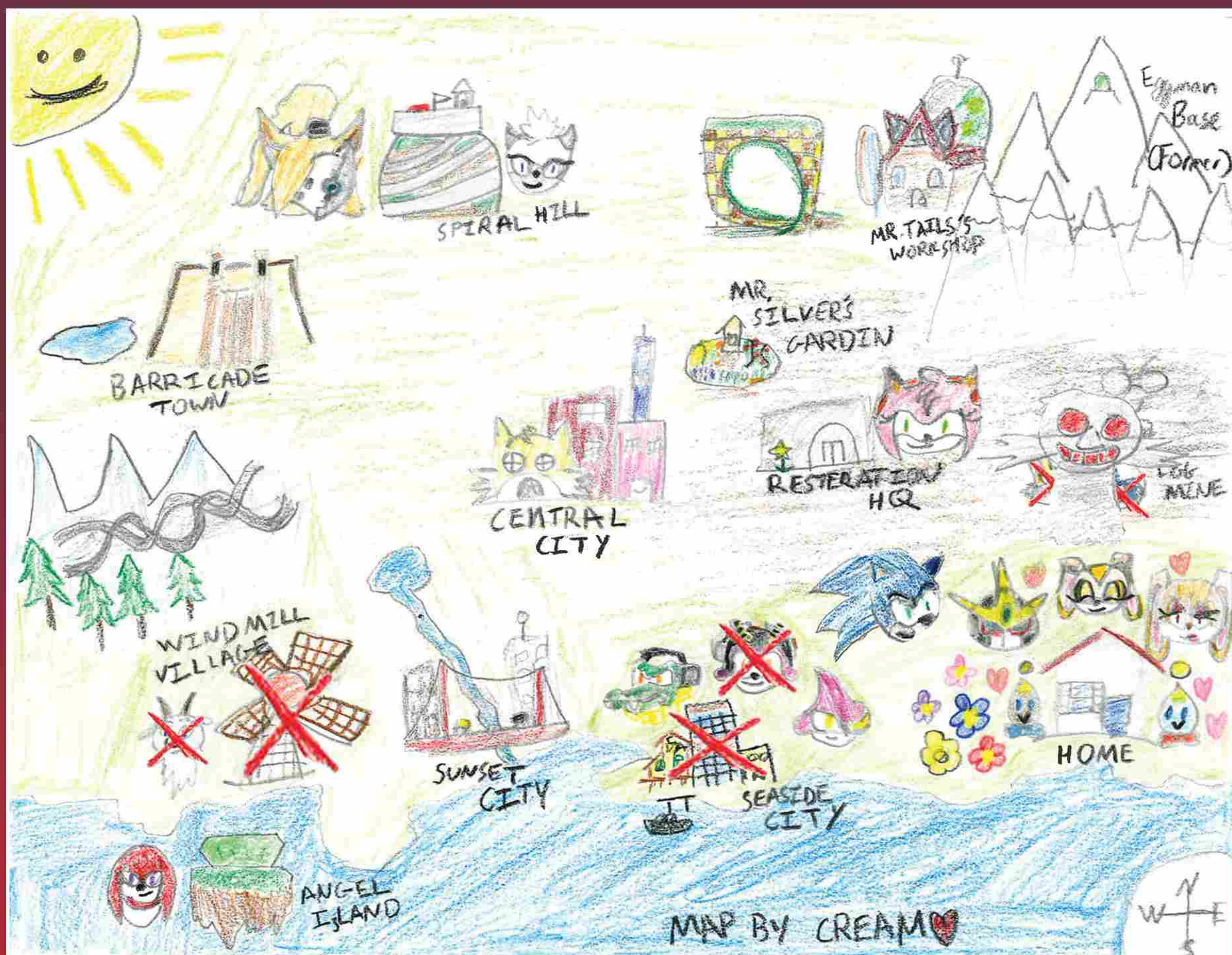
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STORY SO FAR...

Dr. Eggman has returned with one of his most sinister plots yet: the Metal Virus! The Metal Virus infects living organic matter and turns it into zombie-like robots (Zombots) that can infect others and respond only to Eggman's command. Cities and heroes—including Sonic himself—have already been infected by Eggman's virus, though only Sonic has been able to resist full infection. Now, Eggman's Faceship plots a course for Cream the Rabbit's home of Floral Forest Village...



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The Blue Blur.
Fastest thing alive.



DR. EGGMAN
Mad Genius Restored.
Eggman Empire.



DR. STARLINE
Aspiring Villain.
Eggman Empire.



CREAM THE RABBIT
Gentle Heroine.
Restoration ally.



GEMERL
Reformed Robot.
Cream's Protector.



VANILLA THE RABBIT
Loving Mother.
Restoration ally.



CHEESE AND CHOCOLA
Cream and Vanilla's Companions.
Child-like Chao.

I DON'T UNDERSTAND, DOCTOR.

THIS VILLAGE IS TOO REMOTE TO BE OF ANY STRATEGIC VALUE. WHY ARE WE GOING OUT OF THE WAY TO INFECT IT?

IT'S TWOFOLD, MY DEAR STARLINE. ONCE FULLY CONVERTED, THIS LUSH SPACE WILL BECOME A VERITABLE MINEFIELD OF METAL VIRUS INFECTION VECTORS THAT NOT EVEN SONIC CAN AVOID!

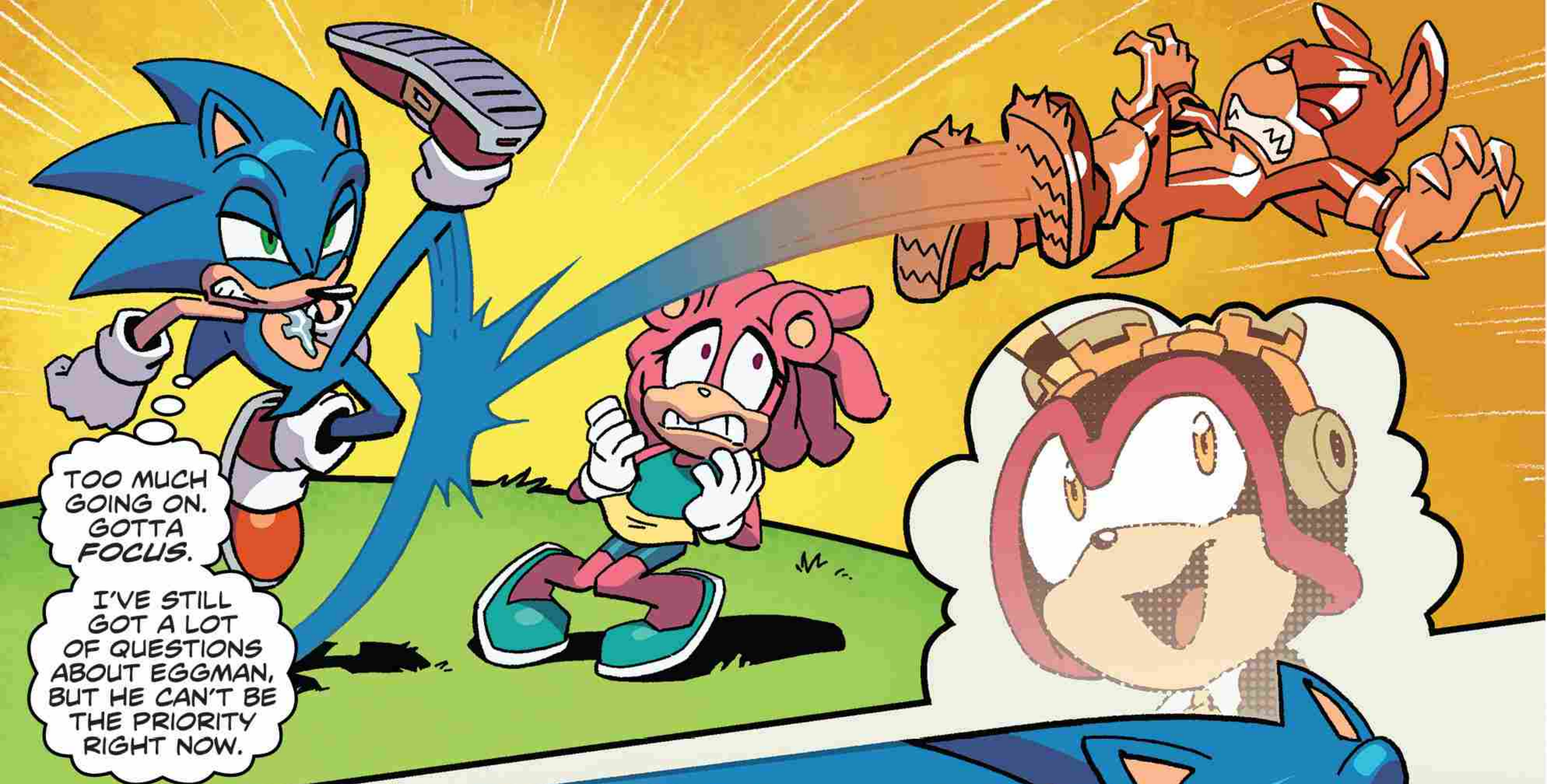
AND HE'LL STILL RUN RIGHT INTO IT ALL BECAUSE HE HAS SOME DEAR FRIENDS HERE! WHAT BETTER WAY TO BREAK HIS WILL...

FLORAL FOREST VILLAGE.

...THAN TO HIT HIM WHERE IT HURTS! HAVING FUN, SONIC?! HA HA HA HA HA!

WHEN I'M DONE DOWN HERE, WE'RE GONNA HAVE WORDS, EGGMAN!



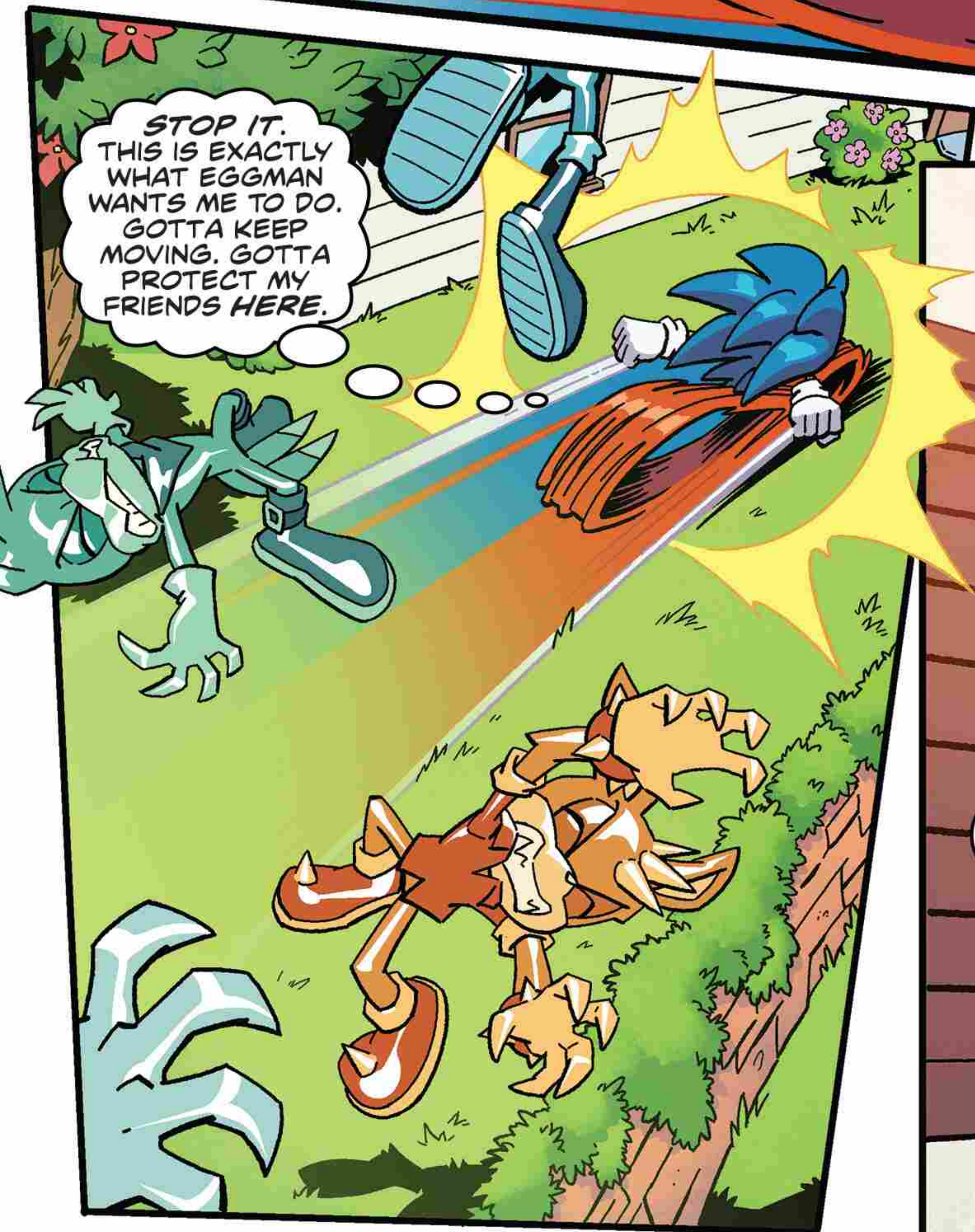


TOO MUCH GOING ON. GOTTA FOCUS.

I'VE STILL GOT A LOT OF QUESTIONS ABOUT EGGMAN, BUT HE CAN'T BE THE PRIORITY RIGHT NOW.

I COULDN'T FIND CHARMY— COULDN'T **SAVE** HIM.* POOR KID GOT WRAPPED UP IN SOMETHING WAY TOO BIG FOR HIMSELF. AND IF THE SAME THING HAPPENS TO HER...

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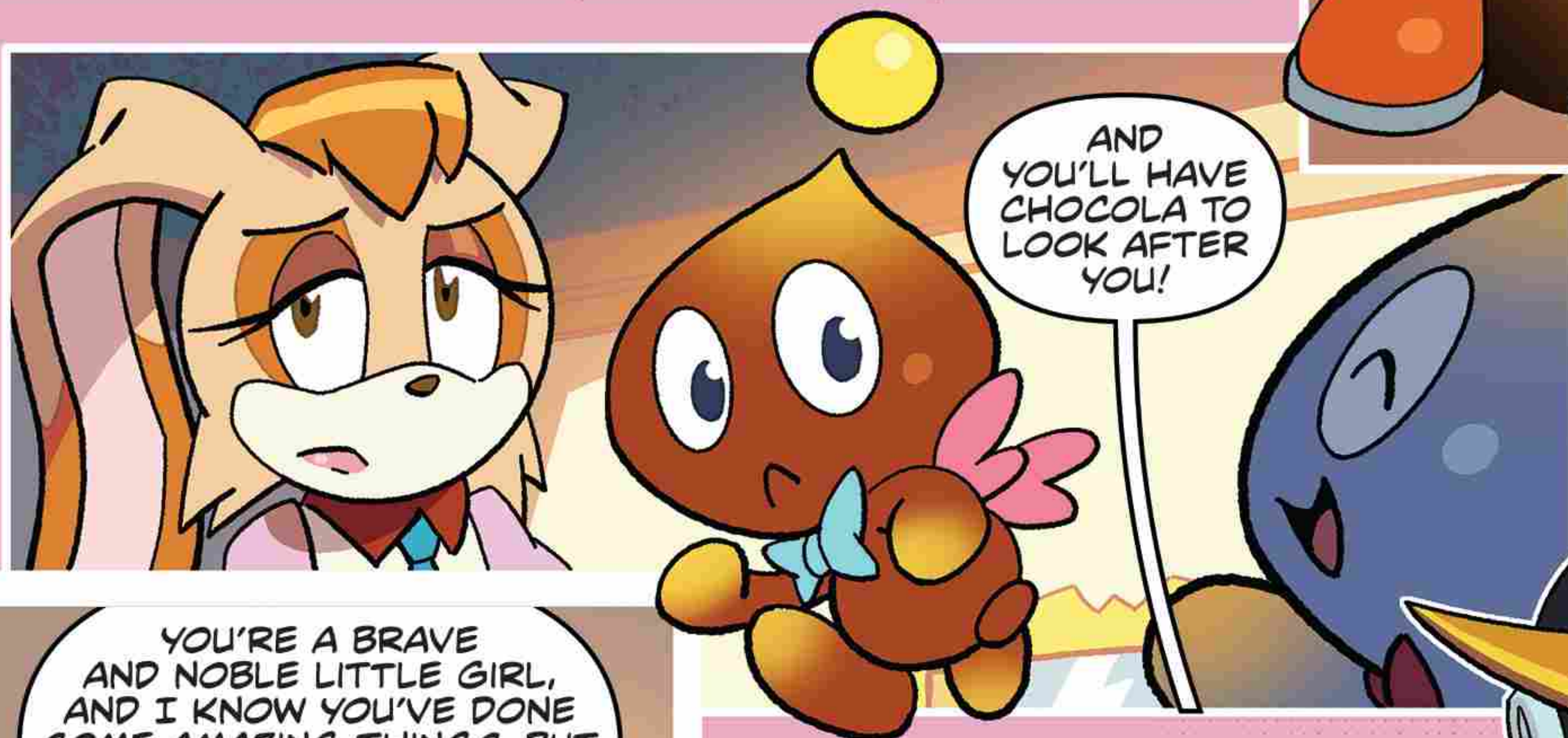
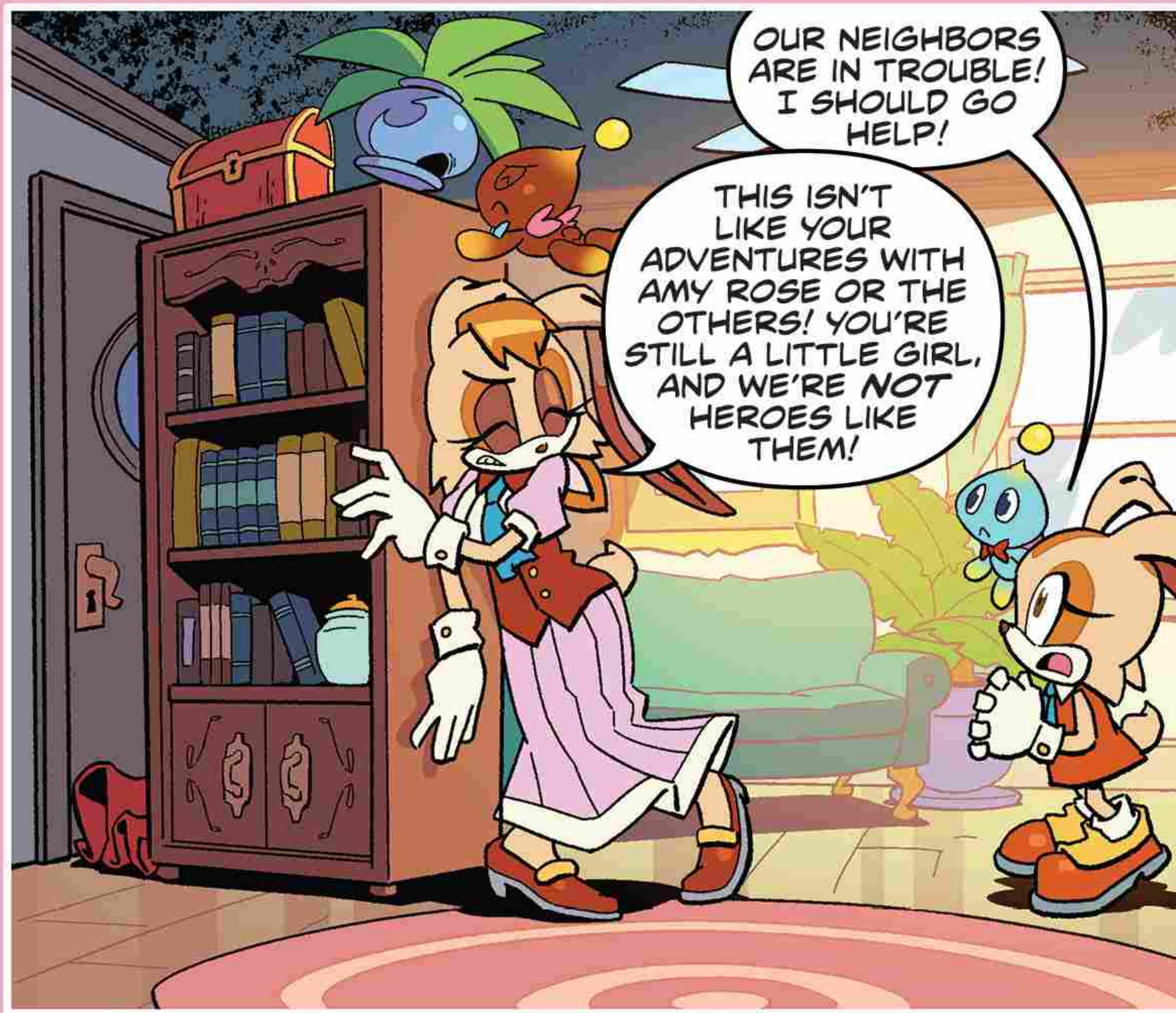
STOP IT. THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT EGGMAN WANTS ME TO DO. GOTTA KEEP MOVING. GOTTA PROTECT MY FRIENDS HERE.

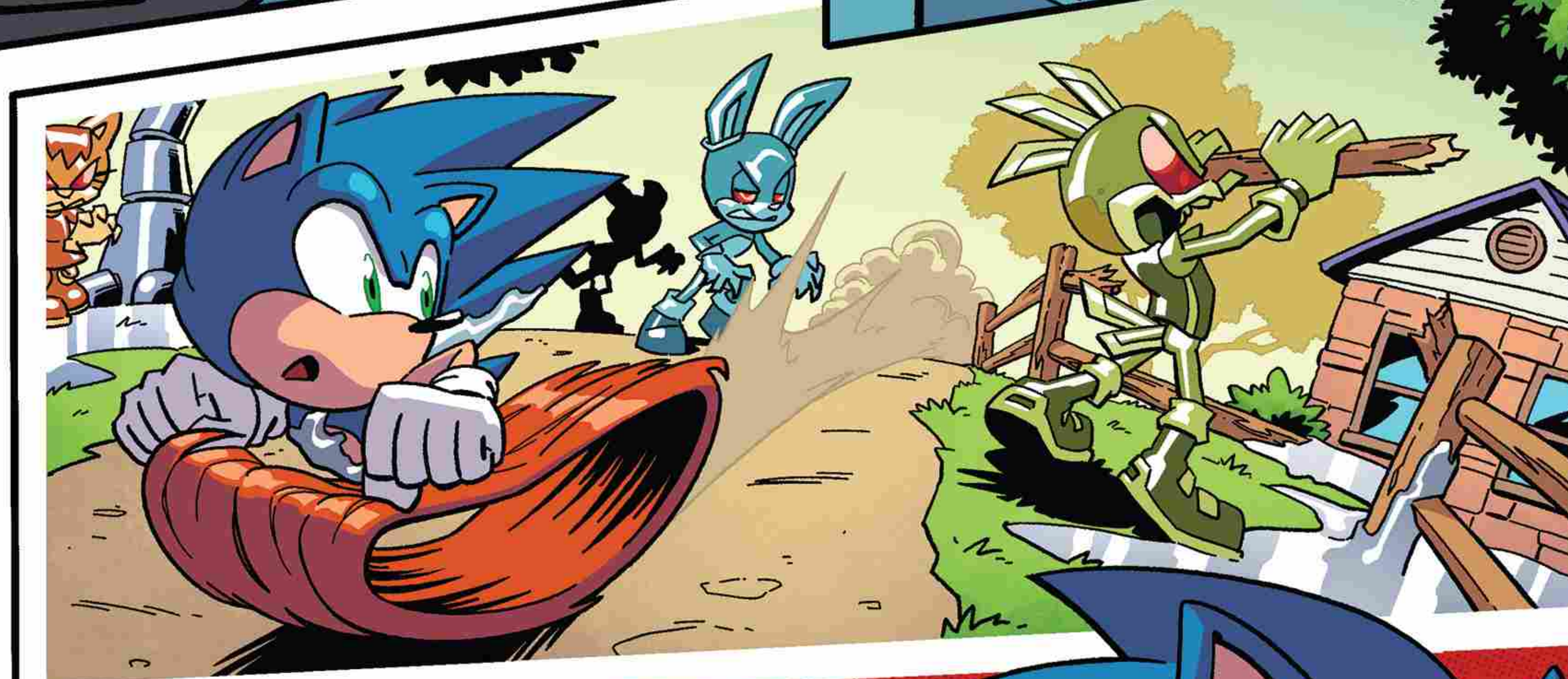


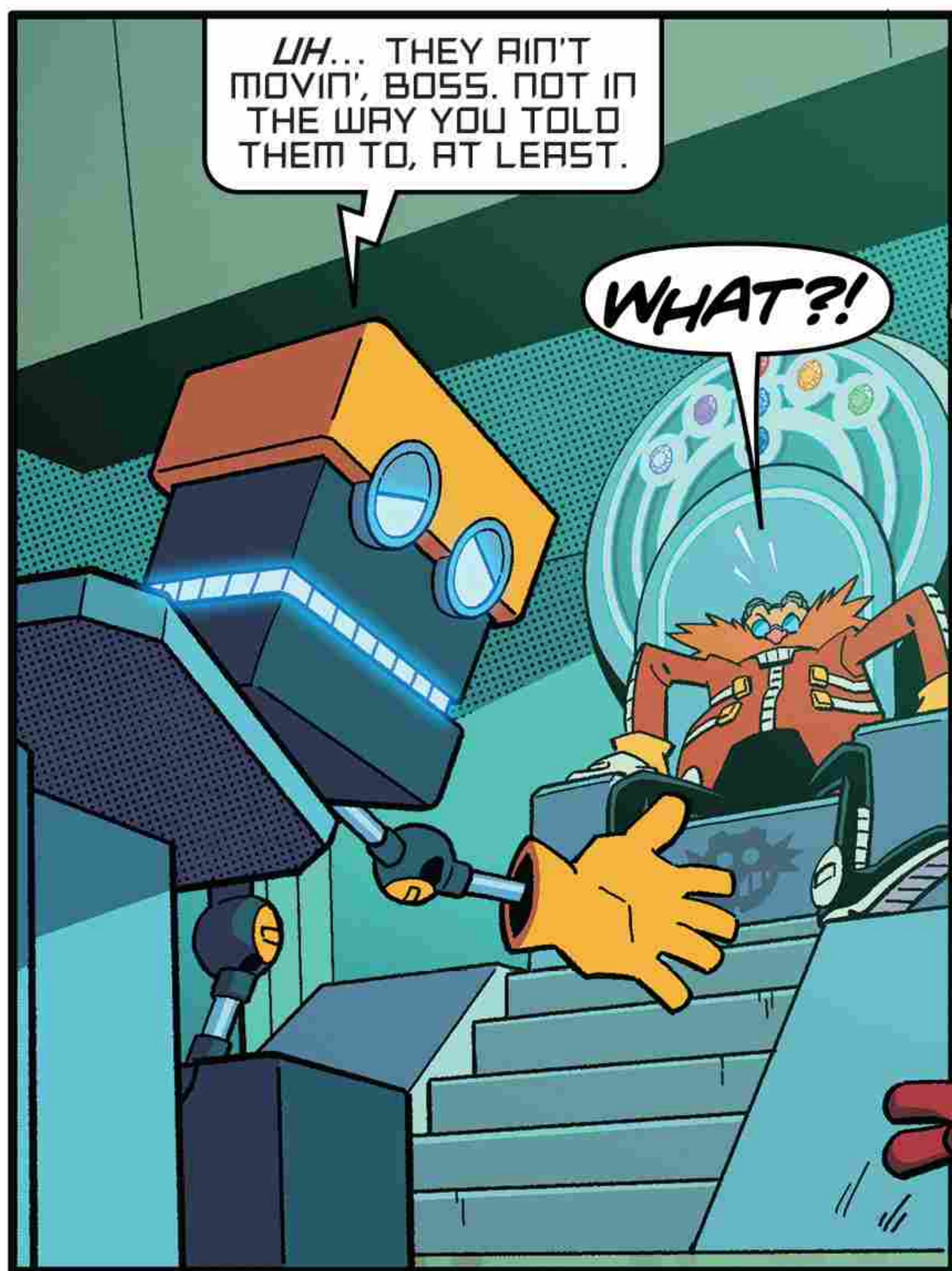
"GOTTA FIND CREAM!"

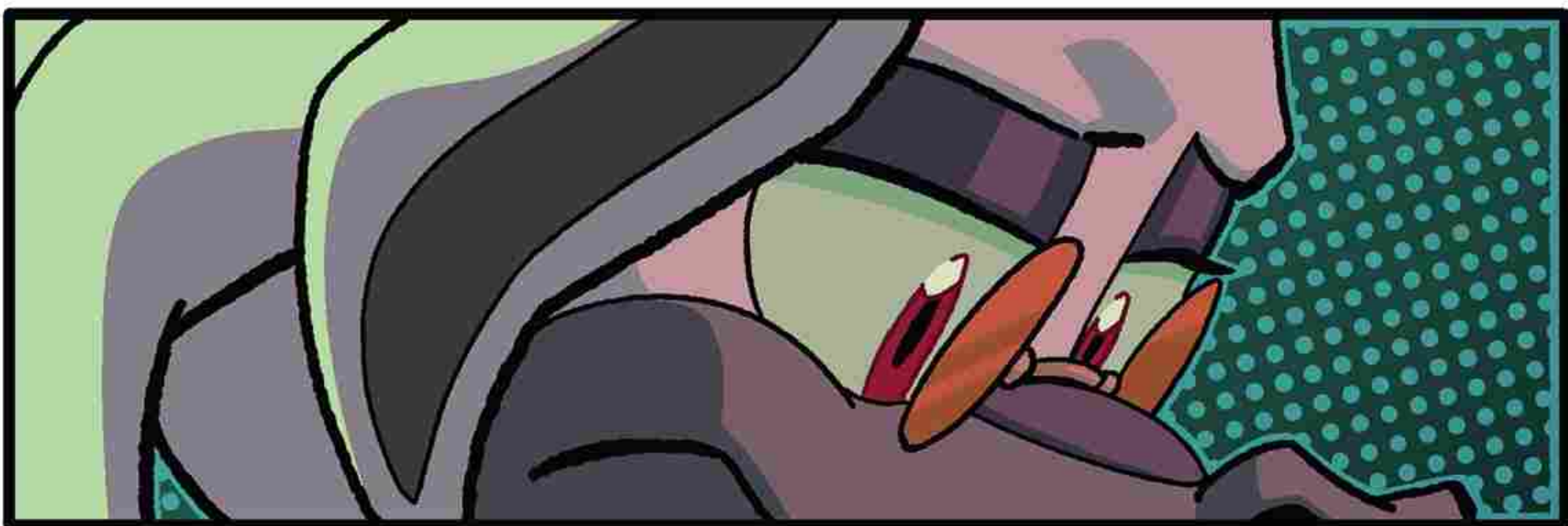
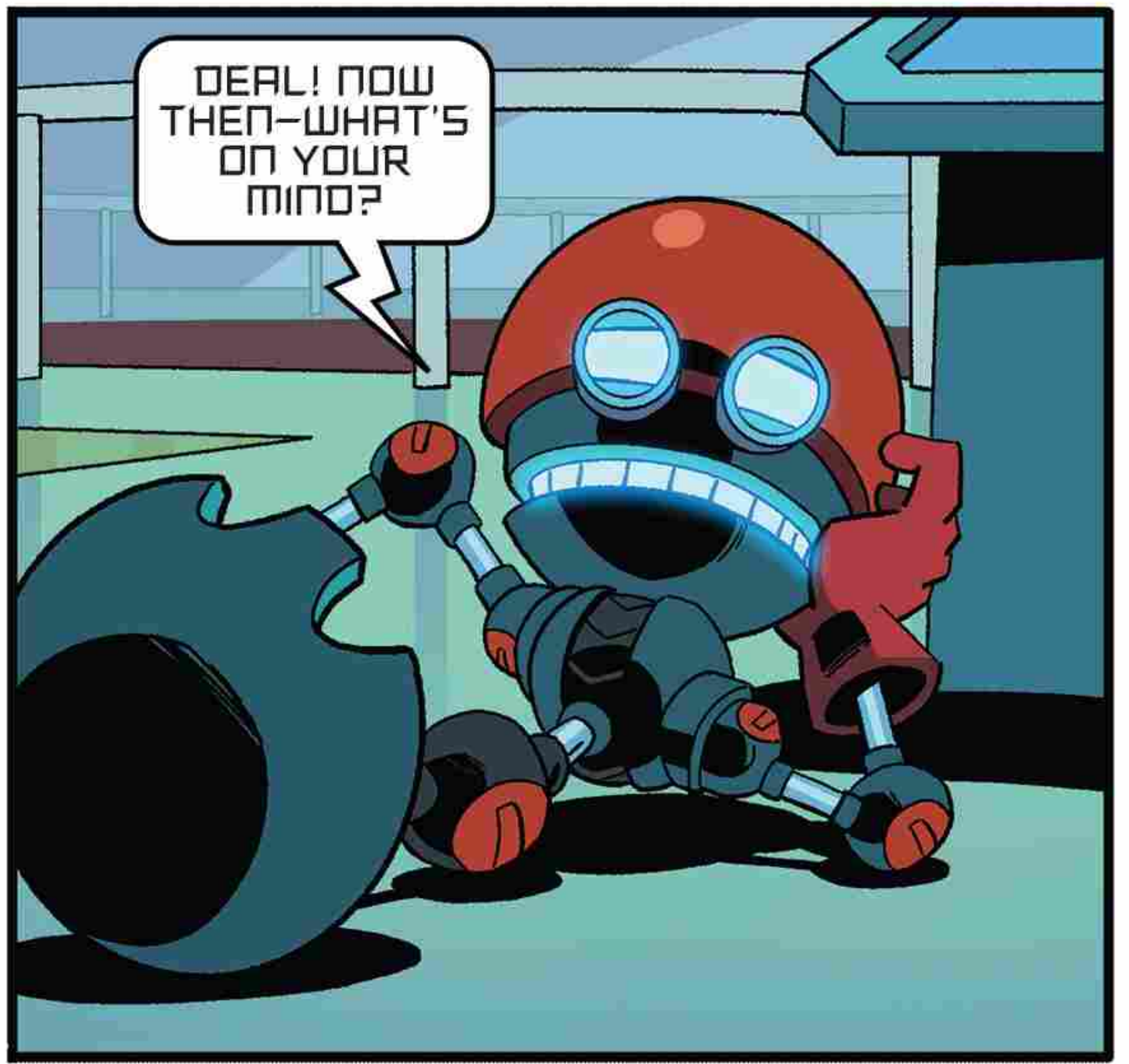
CREAM! CLOSE THE SHUTTERS AND GET AWAY FROM THE WINDOW!

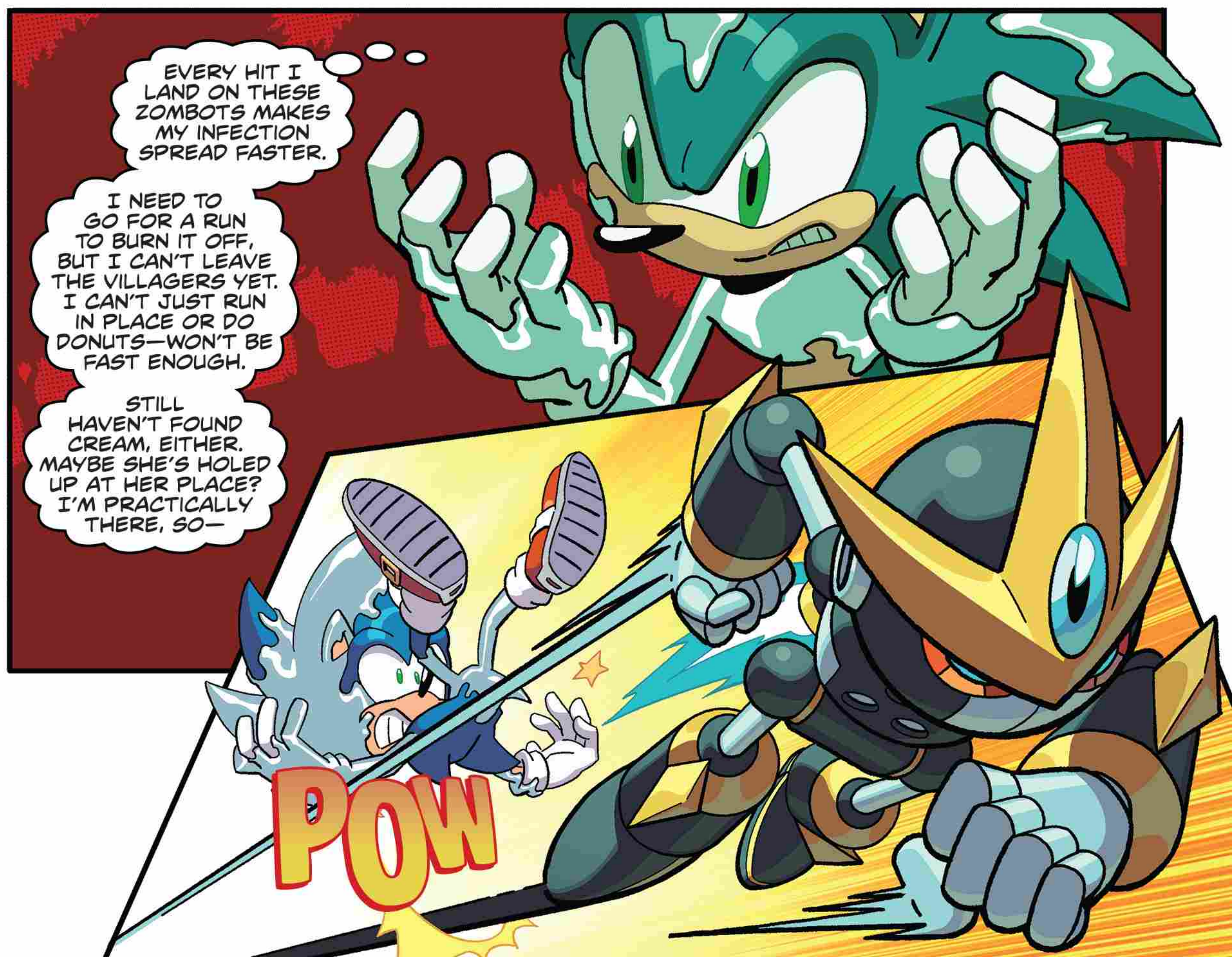
Y-YES, MOTHER!



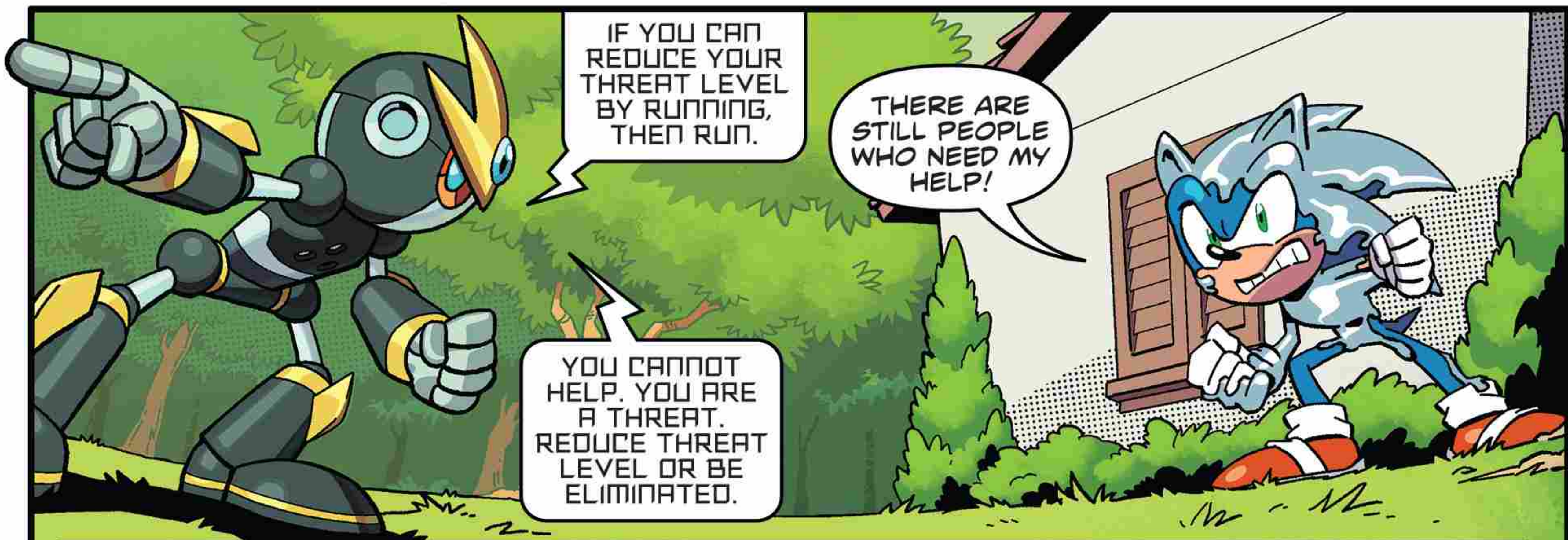












IF YOU CAN
REDUCE YOUR
THREAT LEVEL
BY RUNNING,
THEN RUN.

THERE ARE
STILL PEOPLE
WHO NEED MY
HELP!

YOU CANNOT
HELP. YOU ARE
A THREAT.
REDUCE THREAT
LEVEL OR BE
ELIMINATED.



I CAN'T
FIGHT YOU
AND THE
ZOMBOTS!
QUIT BEING
A JERK!

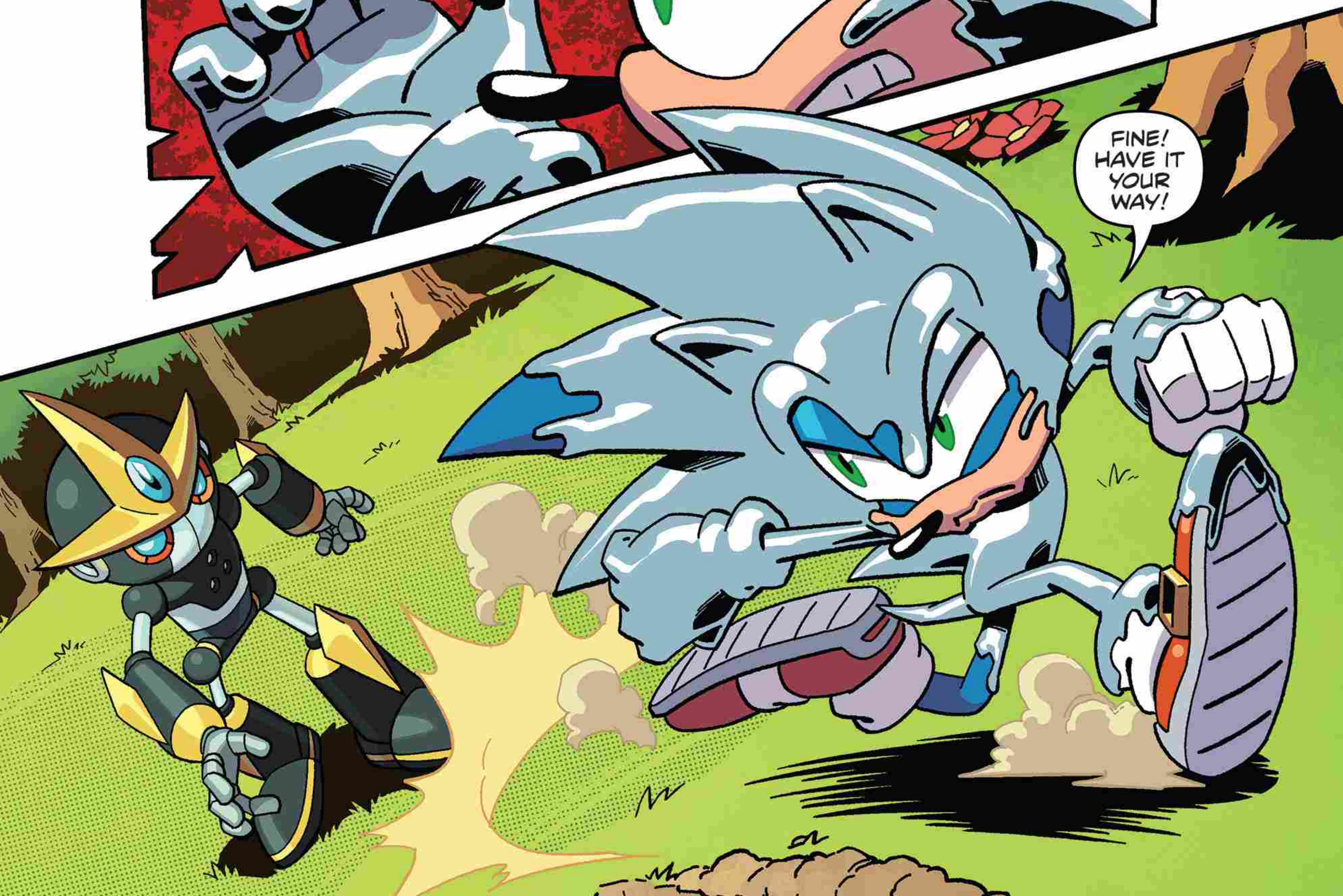


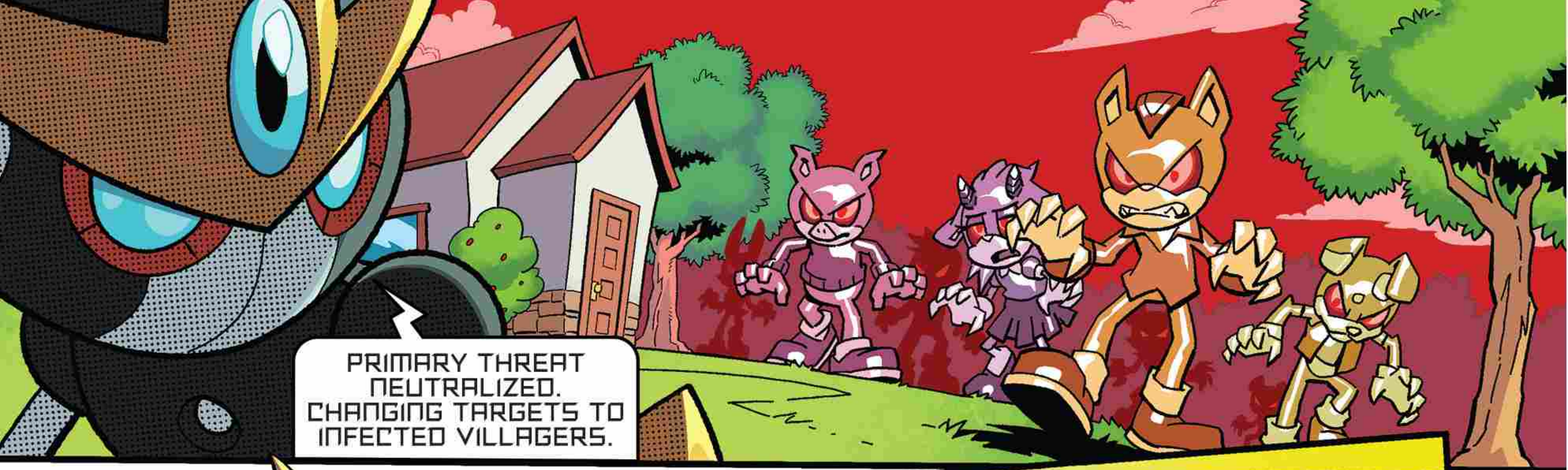
TOP PRIORITY: KEEP CREAM SAFE. YOUR
COMPLIANCE IS NOT MANDATORY.

WARNING: ARMING MISSILES.



FINE!
HAVE IT
YOUR
WAY!





PRIMARY THREAT
NEUTRALIZED.
CHANGING TARGETS TO
INFECTED VILLAGERS.



COMMENCING
PURGE.

BOOM

BADA-

BADA-



GEMERL!
STOP IT!



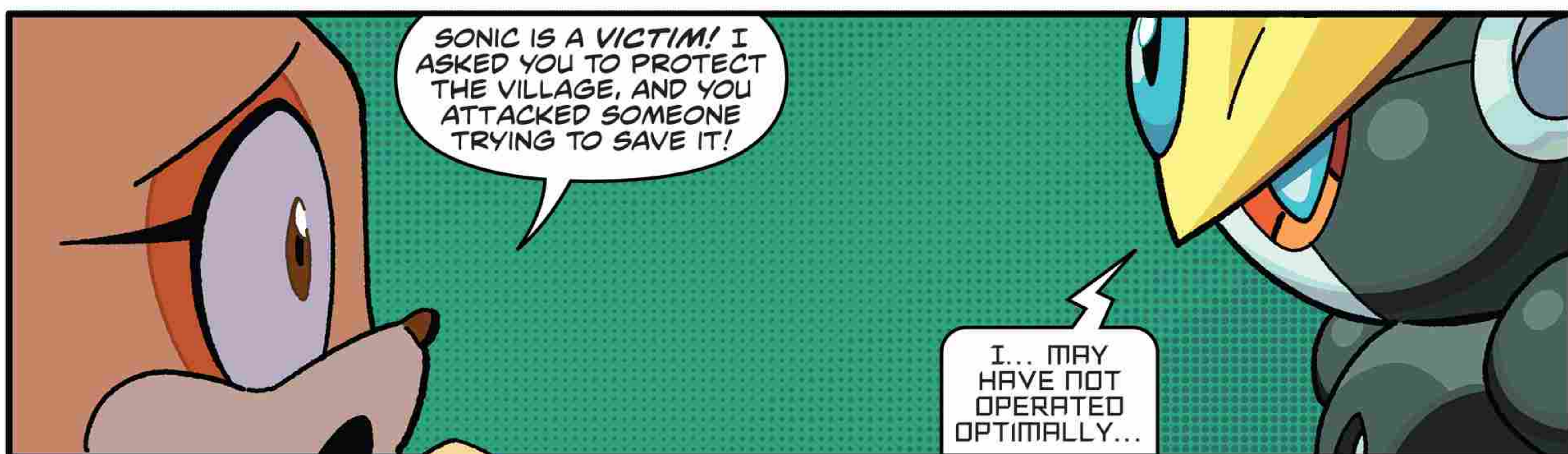
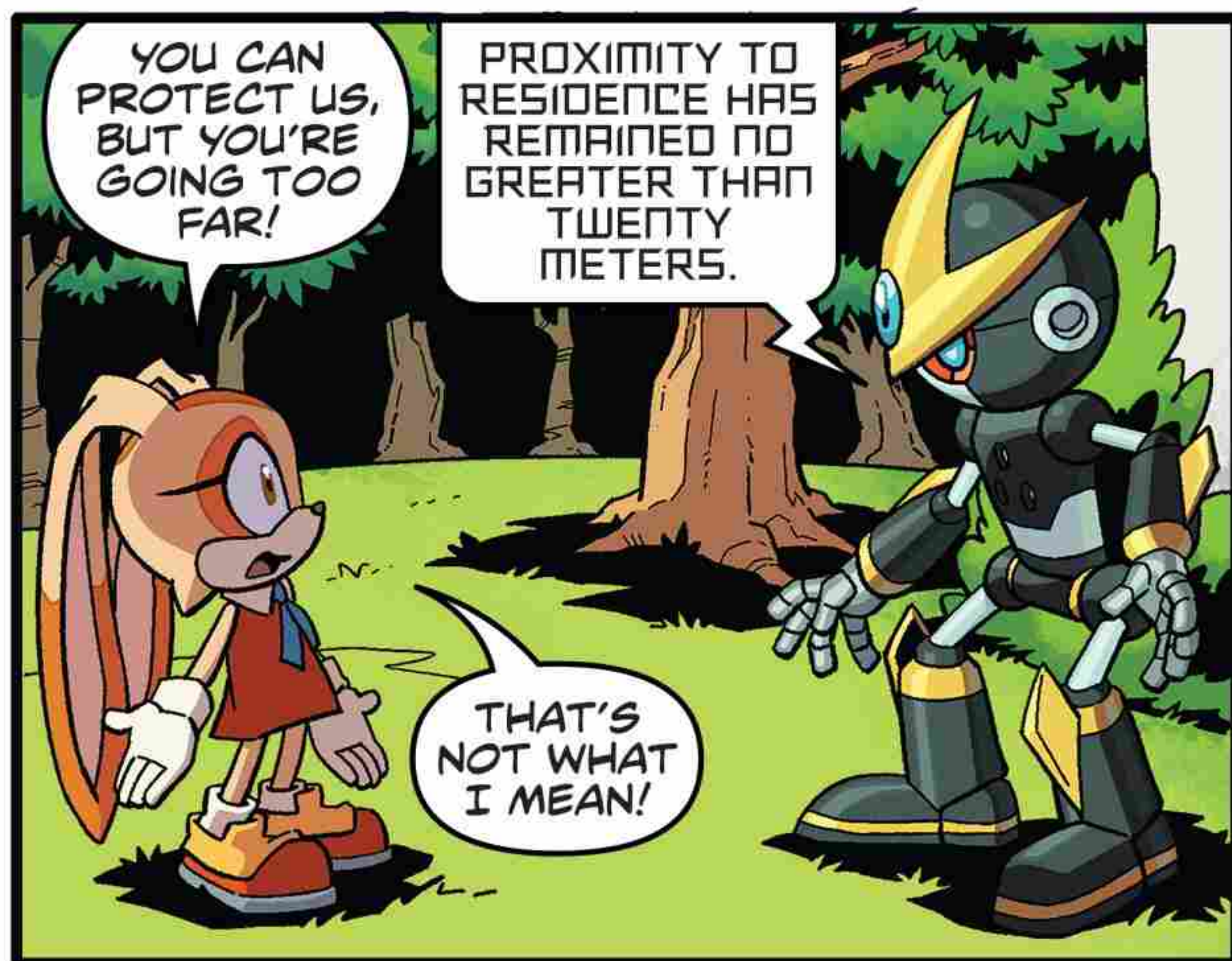
CREAM IS
OUTSIDE
DESIGNATED SAFE
ZONE. PLEASE
RECTIFY.

YOU'VE
GOT TO
STOP!



I MUST
PROTECT
CREAM.

CREAM
COMMANDS
I DO NOT.
PLEASE SPECIFY
PARAMETERS.





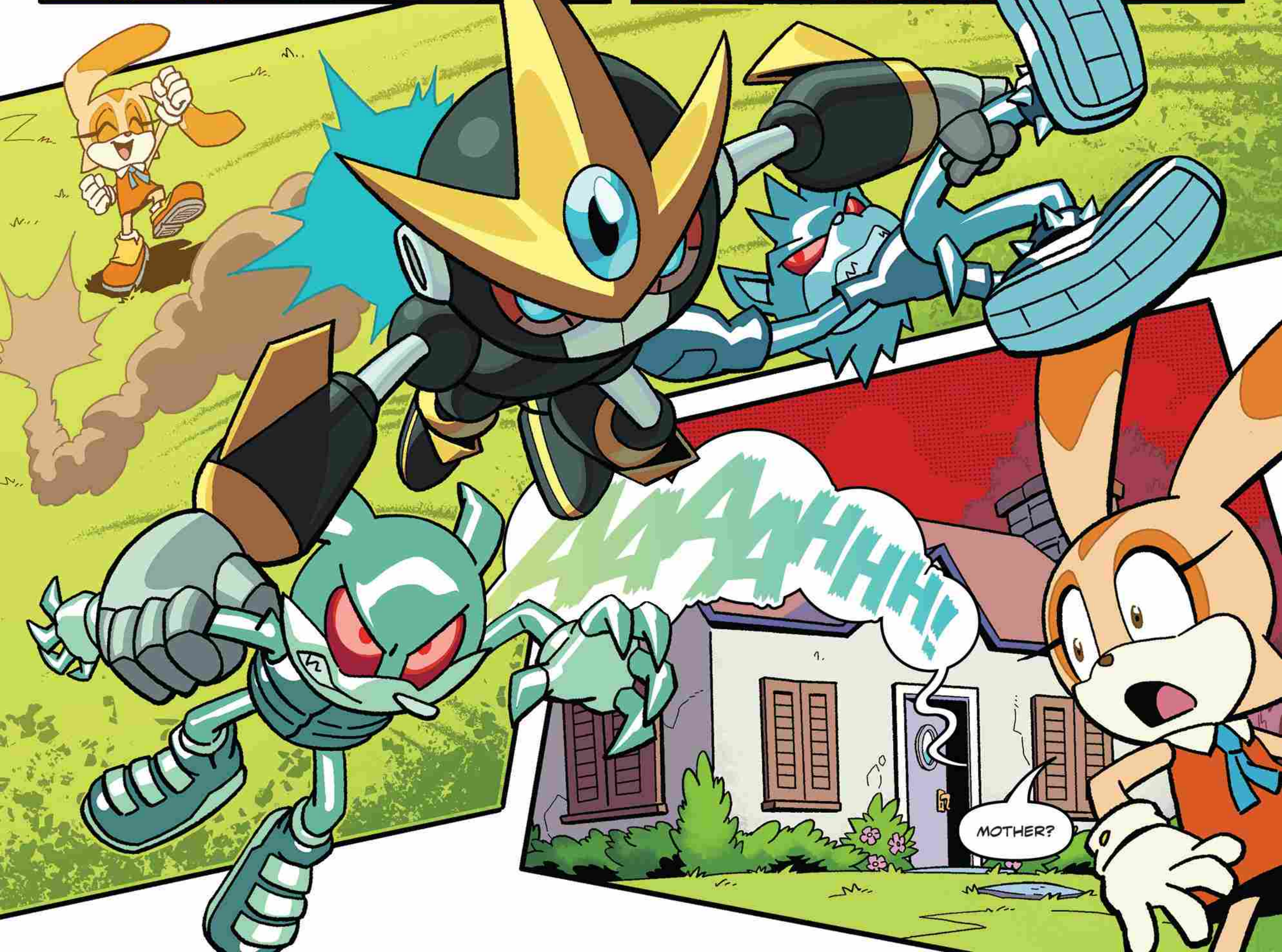


NEW MISSION PARAMETERS
ACCEPTED. ONLY NON-LETHAL
FORCE AUTHORIZED. DELAY. DETAIN.
DISABLE. *DO NOT DESTROY.*

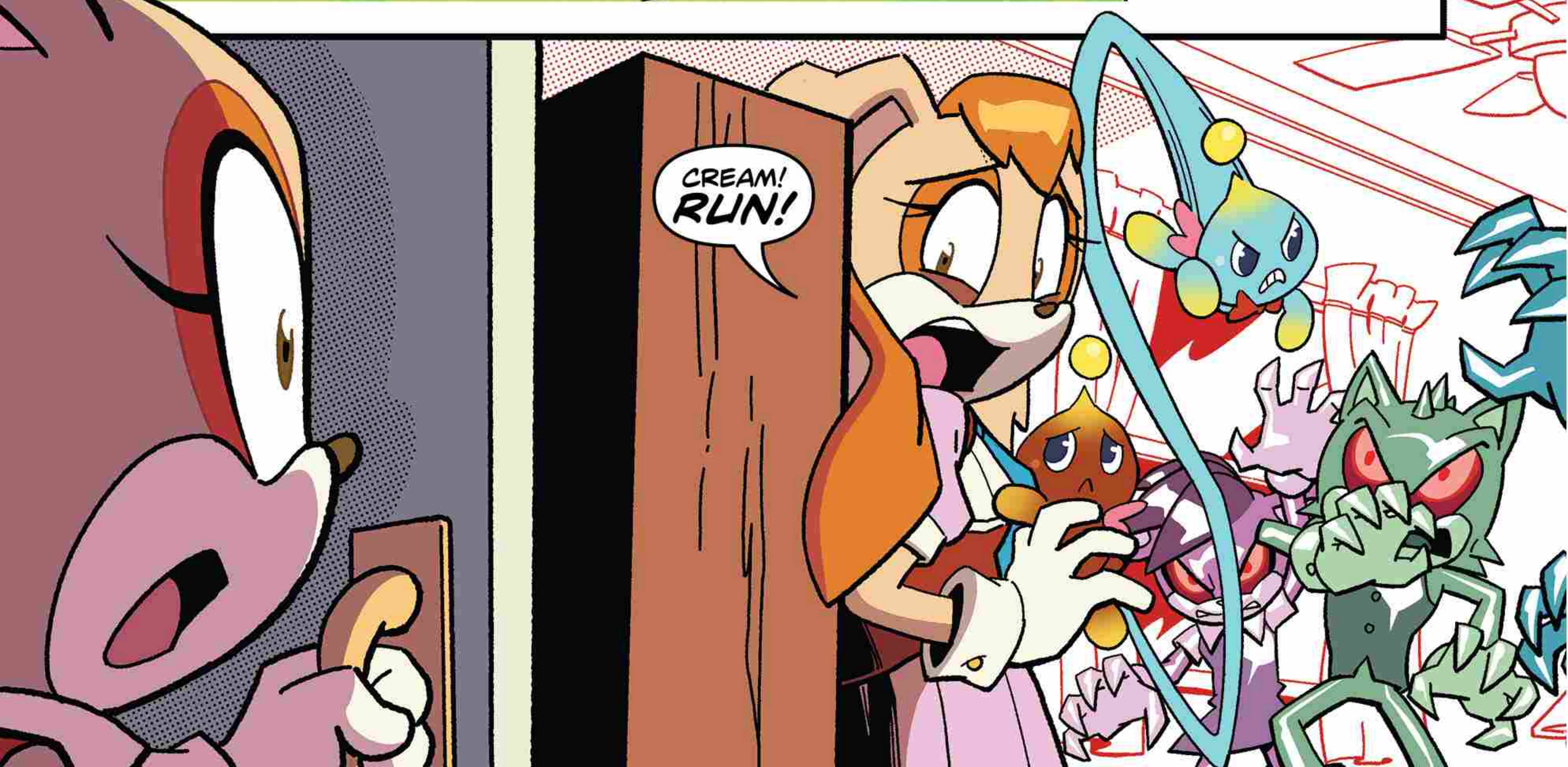


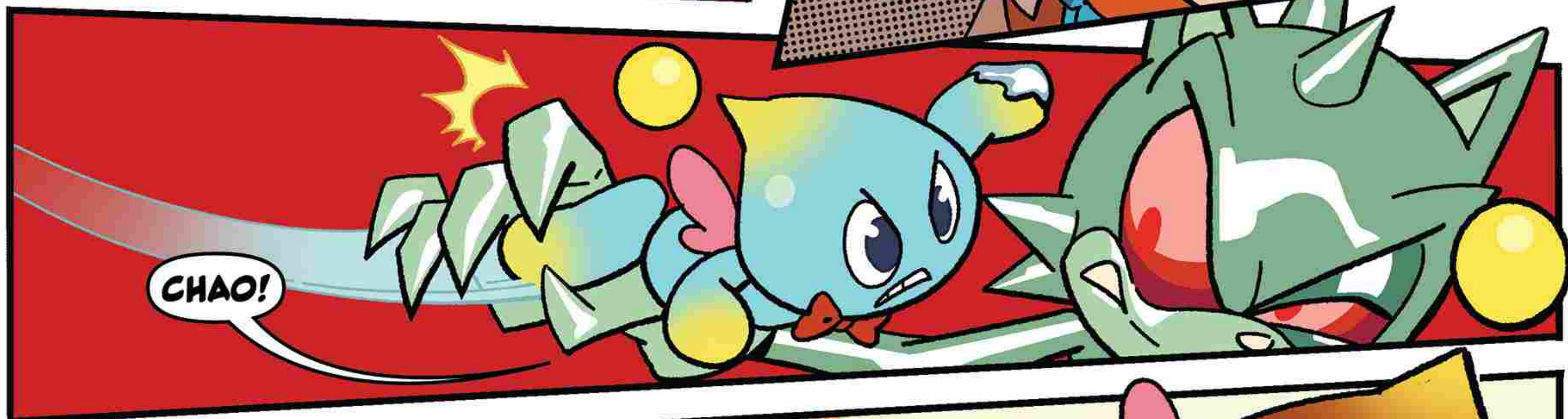
HOORAY!
THANK YOU!
BE SURE TO
APOLOGIZE TO
SONIC WHEN HE
GETS BACK!

ACKNOWLEDGED.



MOTHER?









I JUST GOT CLEAN! WHY DO YOU GUYS HAVE TO KEEP—



CREAM? KIDDO, I NEED YOU IN THE HERE AND NOW.



THIS IS BAD, BUT CHEESE WOULDN'T WANT YOU TO GET CAUGHT. HE'D WANT YOU TO BE BRAVE.

I NEED YOU TO BE BRAVE. JUST LIKE ALL OUR TIMES BEFORE, OKAY?

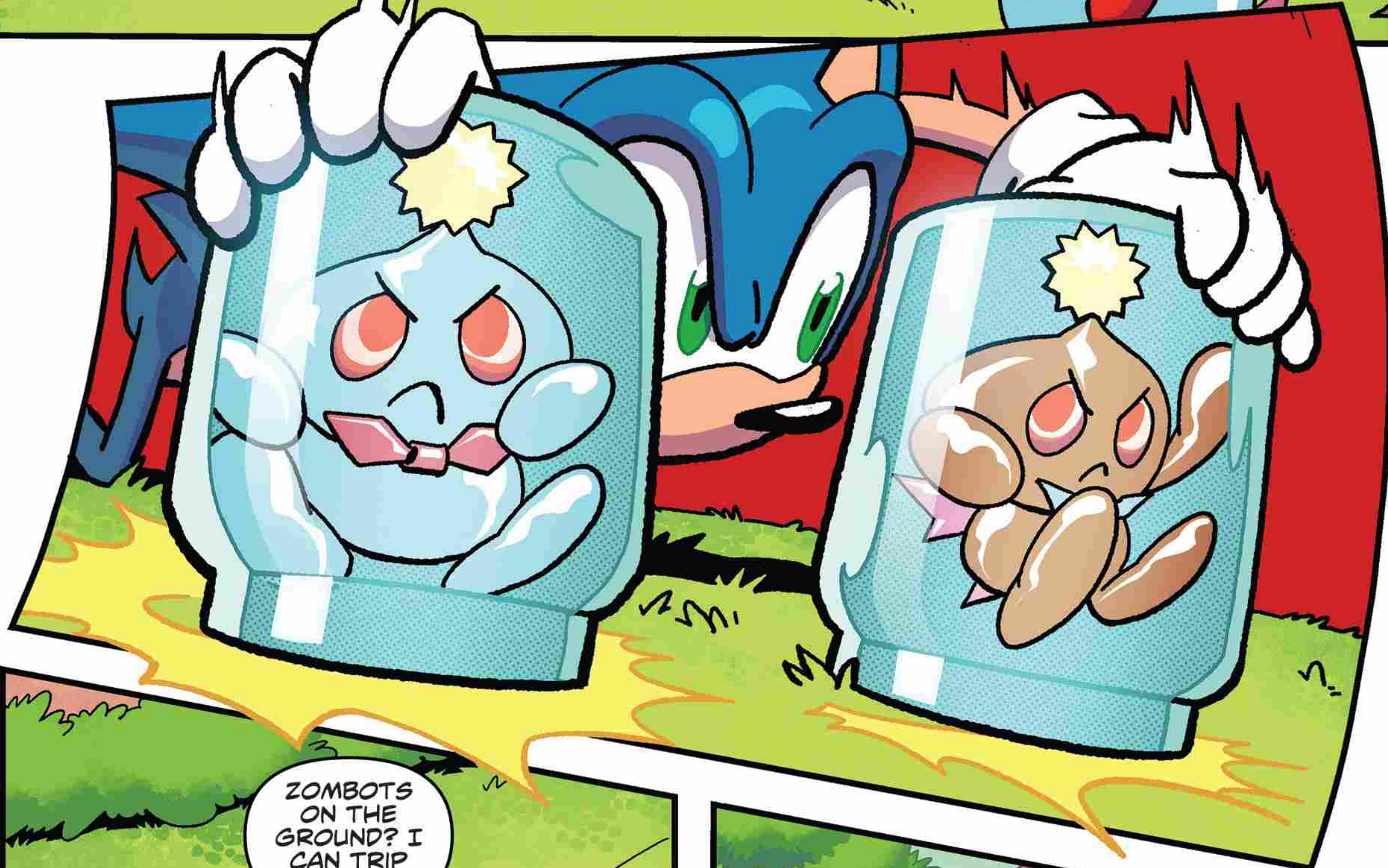
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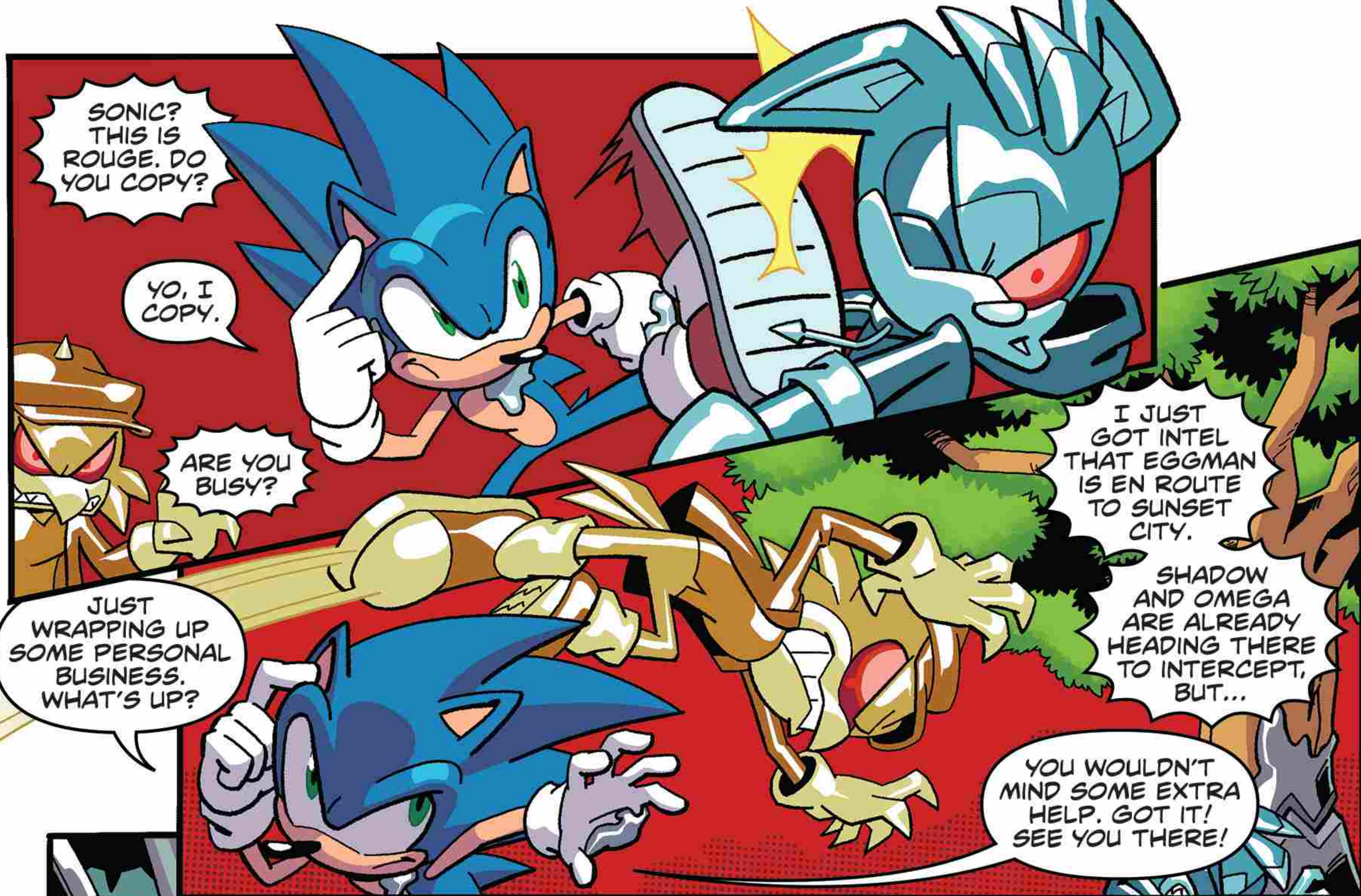


I KNOW YOU CAN DO THIS. GET YOUR MOM TO THE NORTH GLADE AND GET TO SAFETY. WE'LL GET EVERYONE OUT OF HERE, THEN FIND A WAY TO FIX THIS—RIGHT?

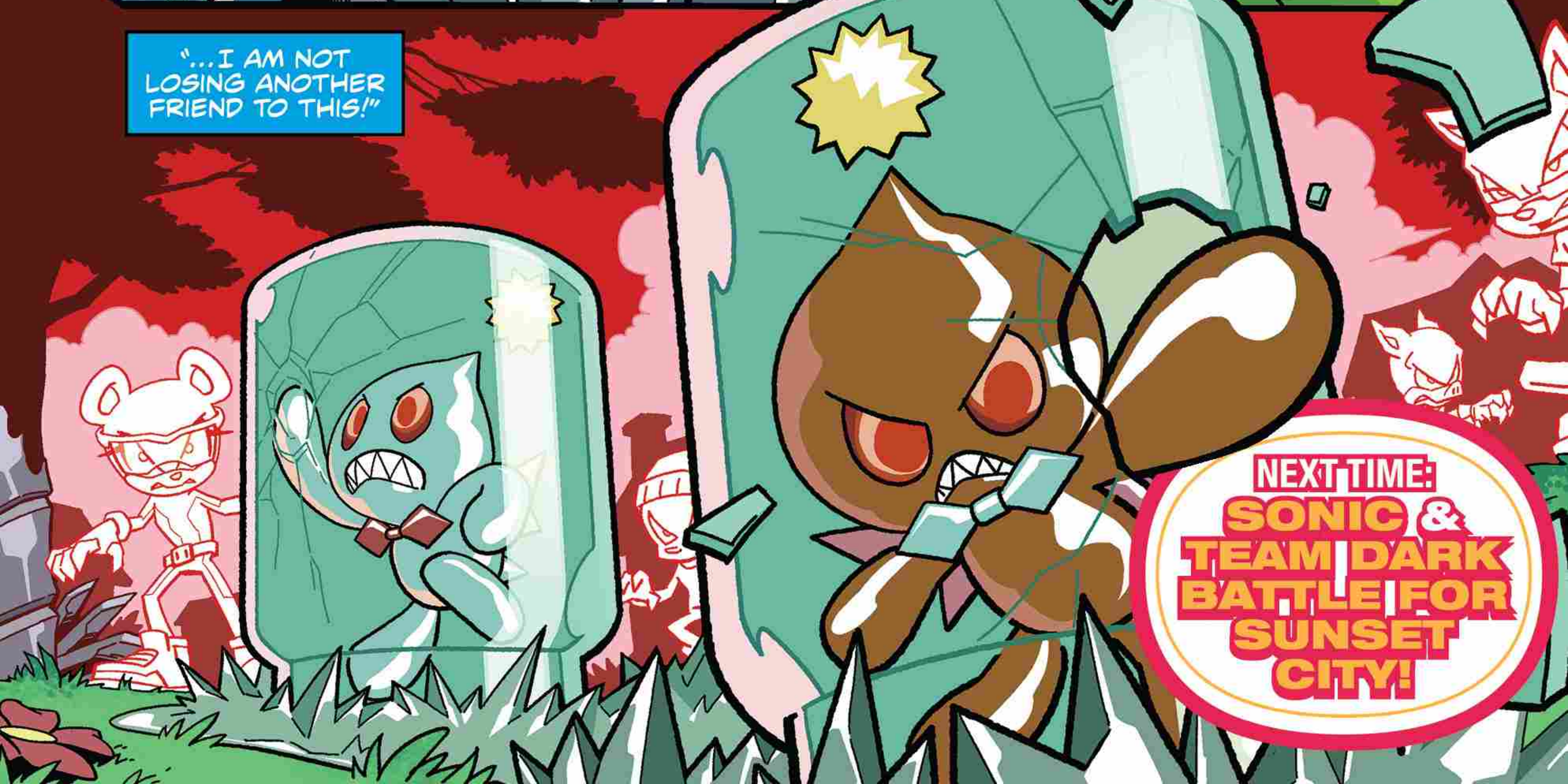
YEAH.







"...I AM NOT LOSING ANOTHER FRIEND TO THIS!"



Hey Squad! No letters this month, but as a special treat, enjoy this preview of this summer's Tangle & Whisper mini-series! Don't miss out on this fantastically fun story about some of our favorite characters and their friends.

Meanwhile, even without the Letters Squad, don't forget to send your art and letters to letters@idwpublishing.com, and make sure to mark them: "OKAY TO PRINT!" And join the IDW Sonic Comics Squad on Facebook! We'll see you next issue in Sunset City!

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TANGLE & WHISPER

TANGLE & WHISPER EXCLUSIVE PREVIEW!



TANGLE!

HEY-HEY, JEWEL! ABOUT TIME YOU GOT OUT OF THAT STUFFY OL' MUSEUM!



BECAUSE YOU NEARLY KNOCKED THE SIGN OFF FROM OVER MY DOOR. AND YOU'RE GOING TO RUN INTO SOMEBODY.

PSSHT! I'VE BEEN FLINGING MYSELF AROUND THESE STREETS SINCE WE WERE LITTLE.

I KNOW EVERY ROOFTOP, ALLEY, AND STREET CORNER LIKE THE BACK OF MY—



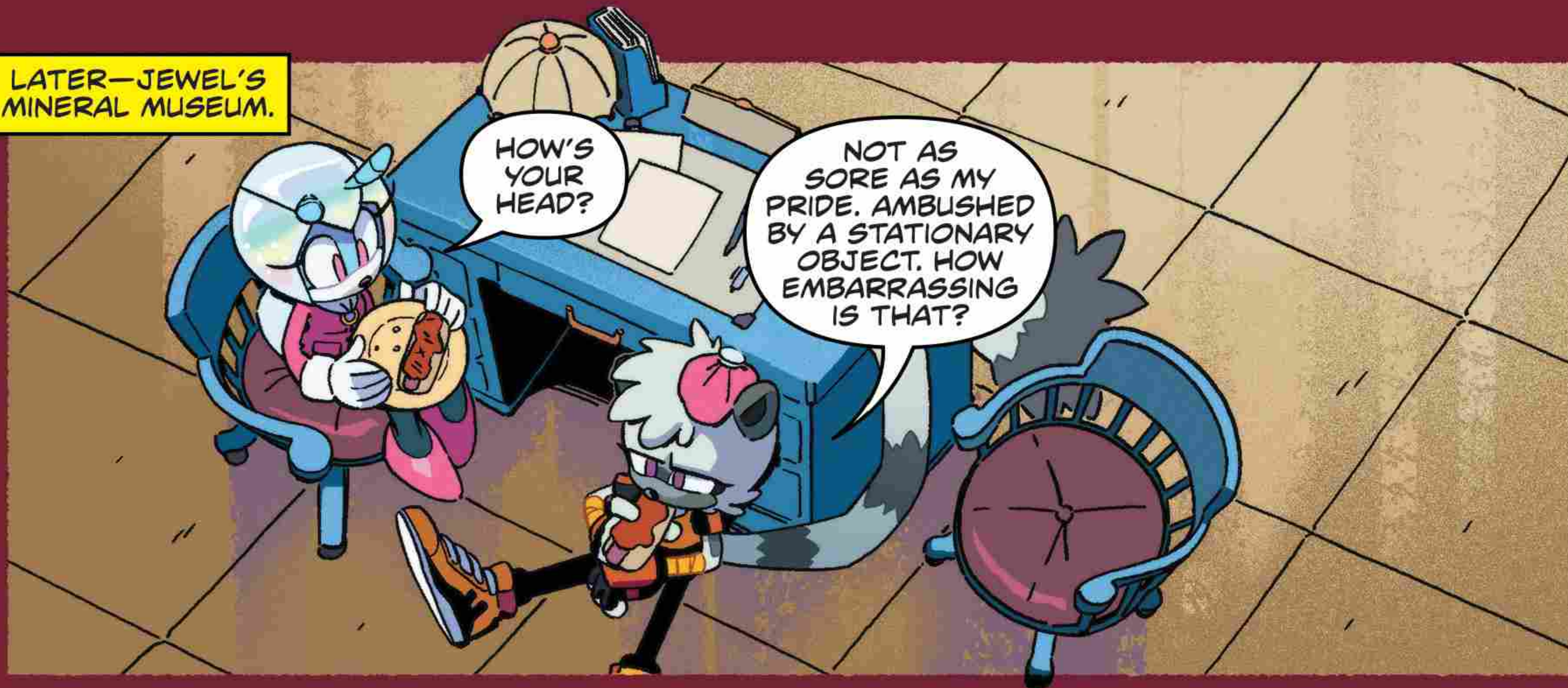
WHAM



TANGLE.

HEYA, RON. A COUPLE OF CHILIDOGS TO GO...?

LATER—JEWEL'S MINERAL MUSEUM.



HOW'S YOUR HEAD?

NOT AS SORE AS MY PRIDE. AMBUSHED BY A STATIONARY OBJECT. HOW EMBARRASSING IS THAT?



TO BE FAIR, IT WAS HIDING IN FRONT OF A STREET LAMP. CLEARLY IT WAS OUT TO GET YOU.

HA HA
OW HA
HA



SERIOUSLY, THOUGH, WHAT'S GOING ON? YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN... PRECOCIOUS... BUT YOU'VE BEEN BOUNCING OFF THE WALLS LATELY.

LITERALLY AND FIGURATIVELY.

I'M SORRY FOR BEING A PEST, IT'S JUST...



...AFTER EVERYTHING I'VE DONE WITH SONIC, THINGS ARE SO BORING HERE!

I FOUGHT ROBOT INVASIONS! FLYING BATTLE SHIPS!

I MET A FIERY PRINCESS FROM ANOTHER DIMENSION!

I PULLED THE WINGS OFF A GIANT ROBO-DRAGON!



AND I COME HOME TO PEACE AND QUIET. I CAN'T STAND IT.



YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN LIKE THAT. SO WHAT'S STOPPING YOU FROM BEING LIKE SONIC? GOING OUT THERE AND FINDING YOUR OWN ADVENTURES?



I'VE THOUGHT ABOUT IT. SURE, IT'S TEMPTING, BUT WHAT IF SOMETHING DOES HAPPEN HERE?

EGGMAN'S ROBOTS ATTACKED ONCE.*

IT COULD HAPPEN AGAIN.

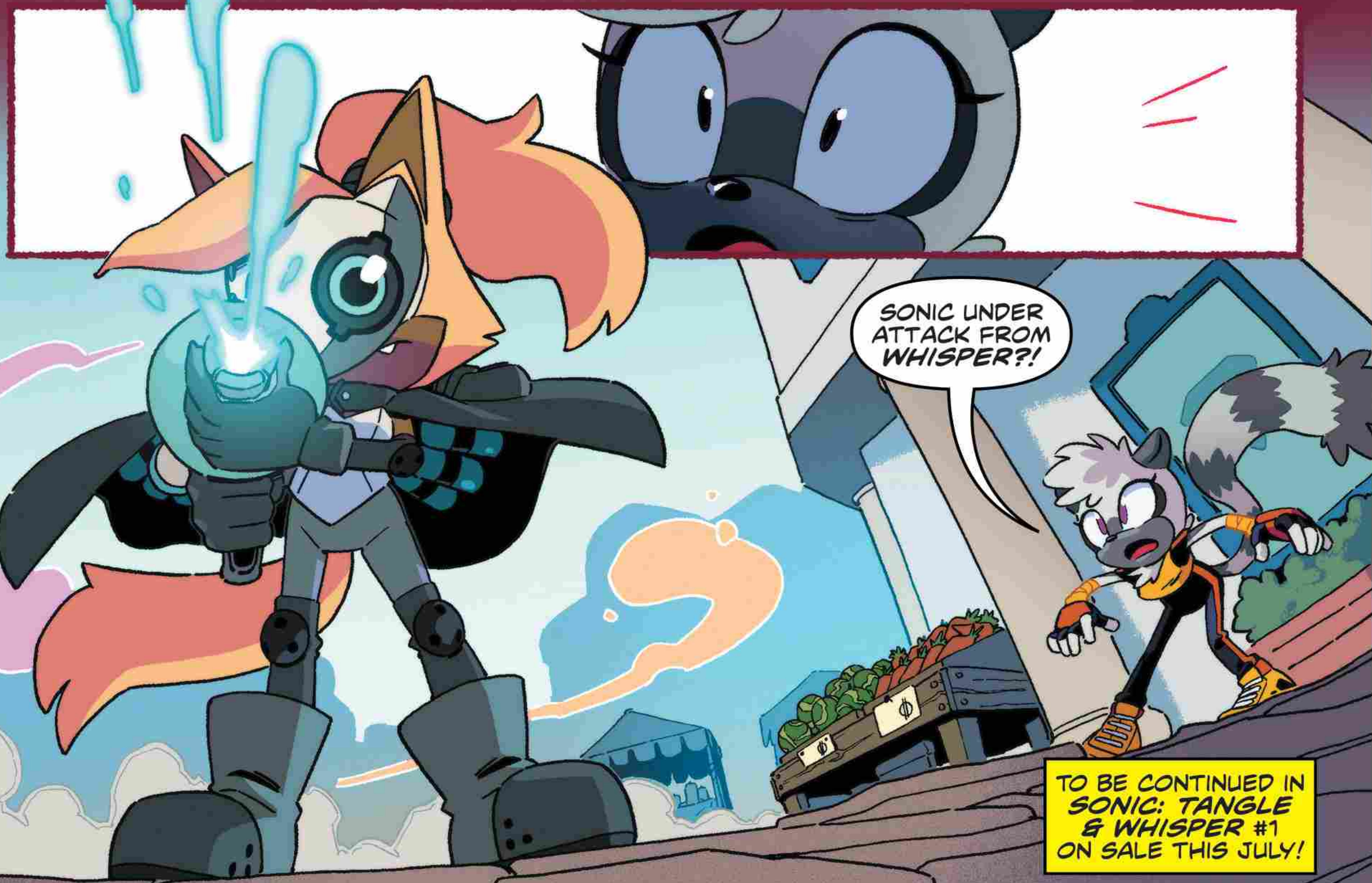
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AND IT'D BE THE FIRST TIME YOU'D BE FLYING SOLO. LONELY BEFORE YOU EVEN LEAVE?

THAT, AND NERVOUS. I WOULDN'T HAVE YOU TO WATCH MY BACK.





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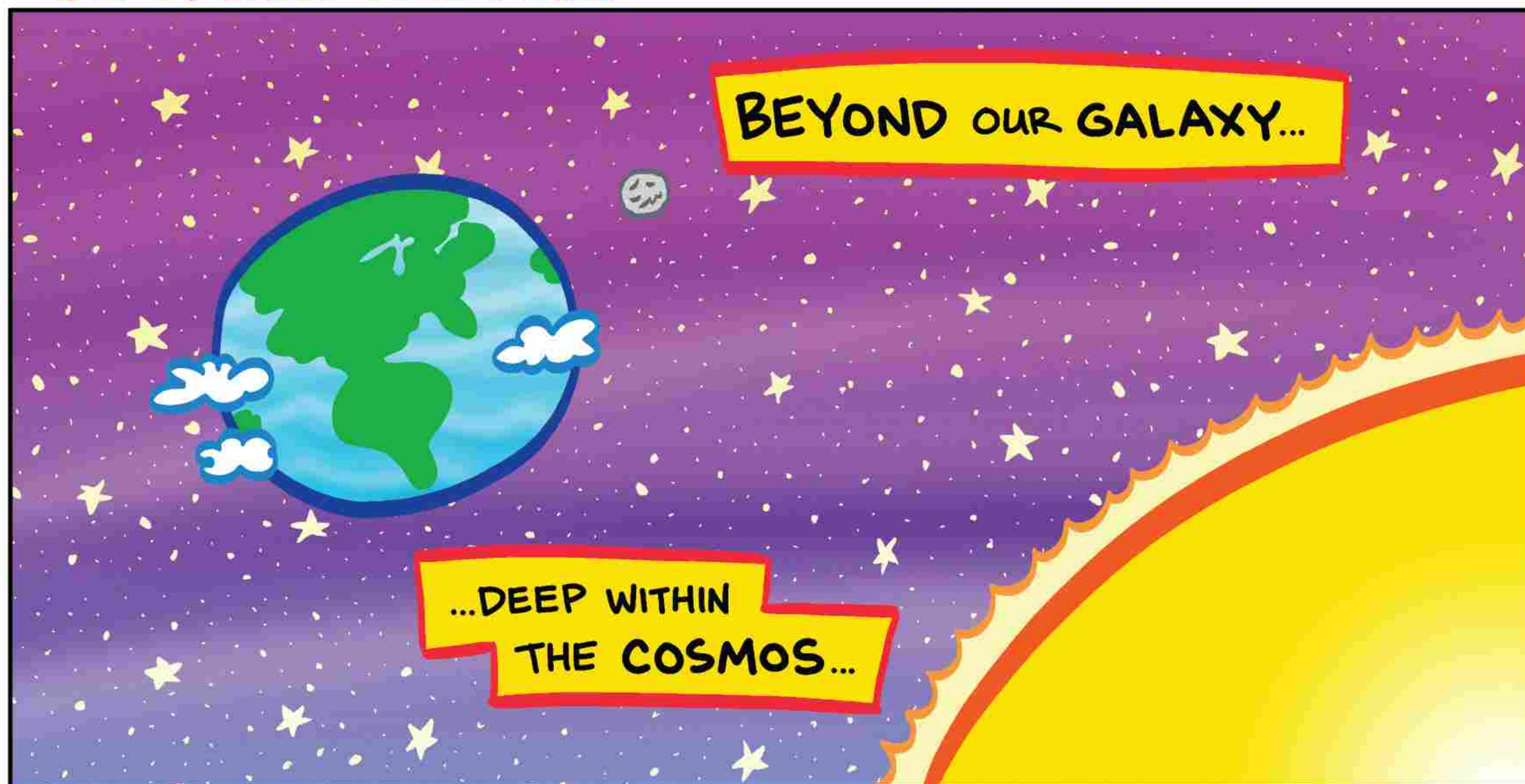
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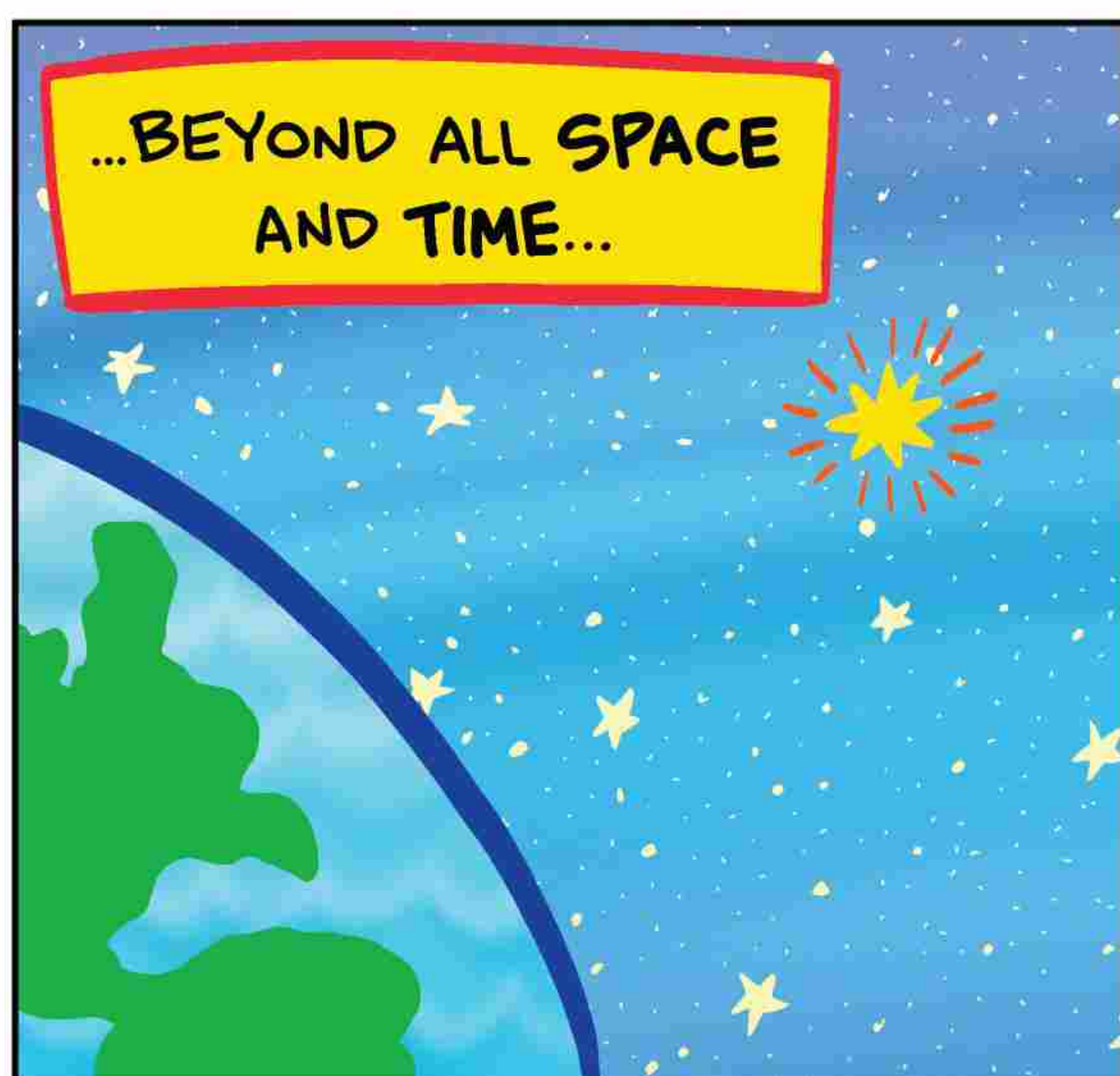
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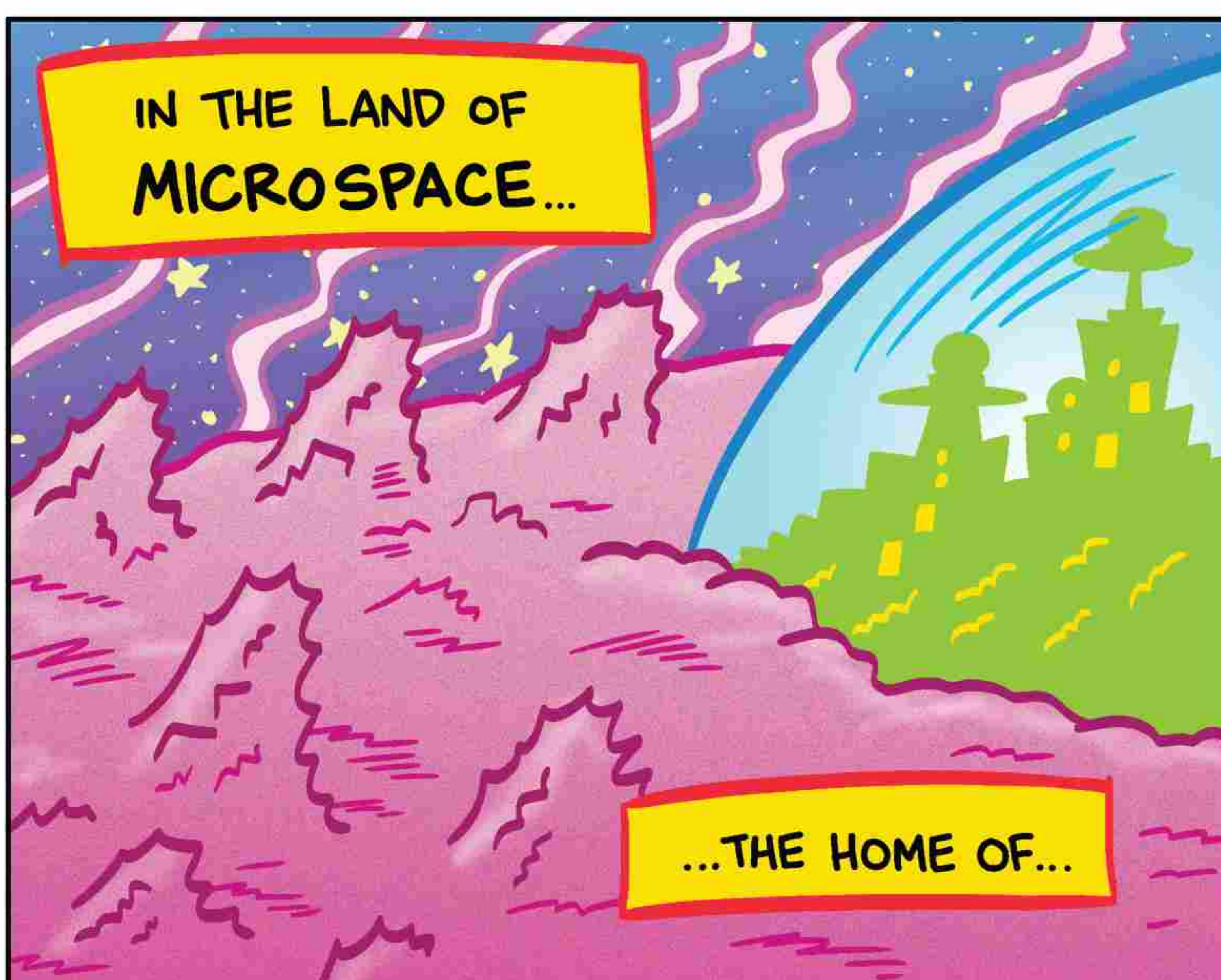
...DEEP WITHIN
THE COSMOS...



...BEYOND ALL SPACE
AND TIME...



...EXISTS THE
ULTIMATE EVIL!

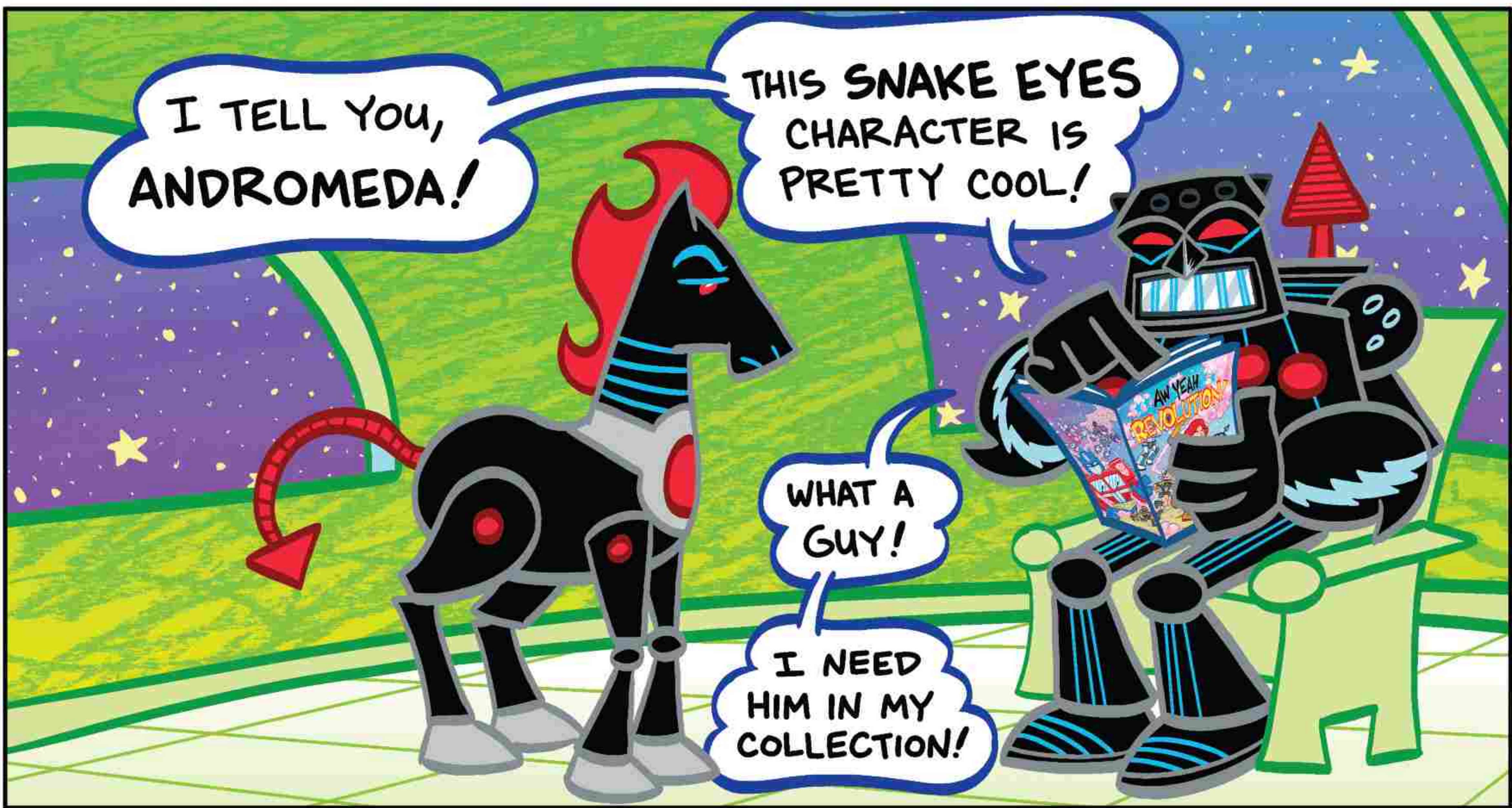
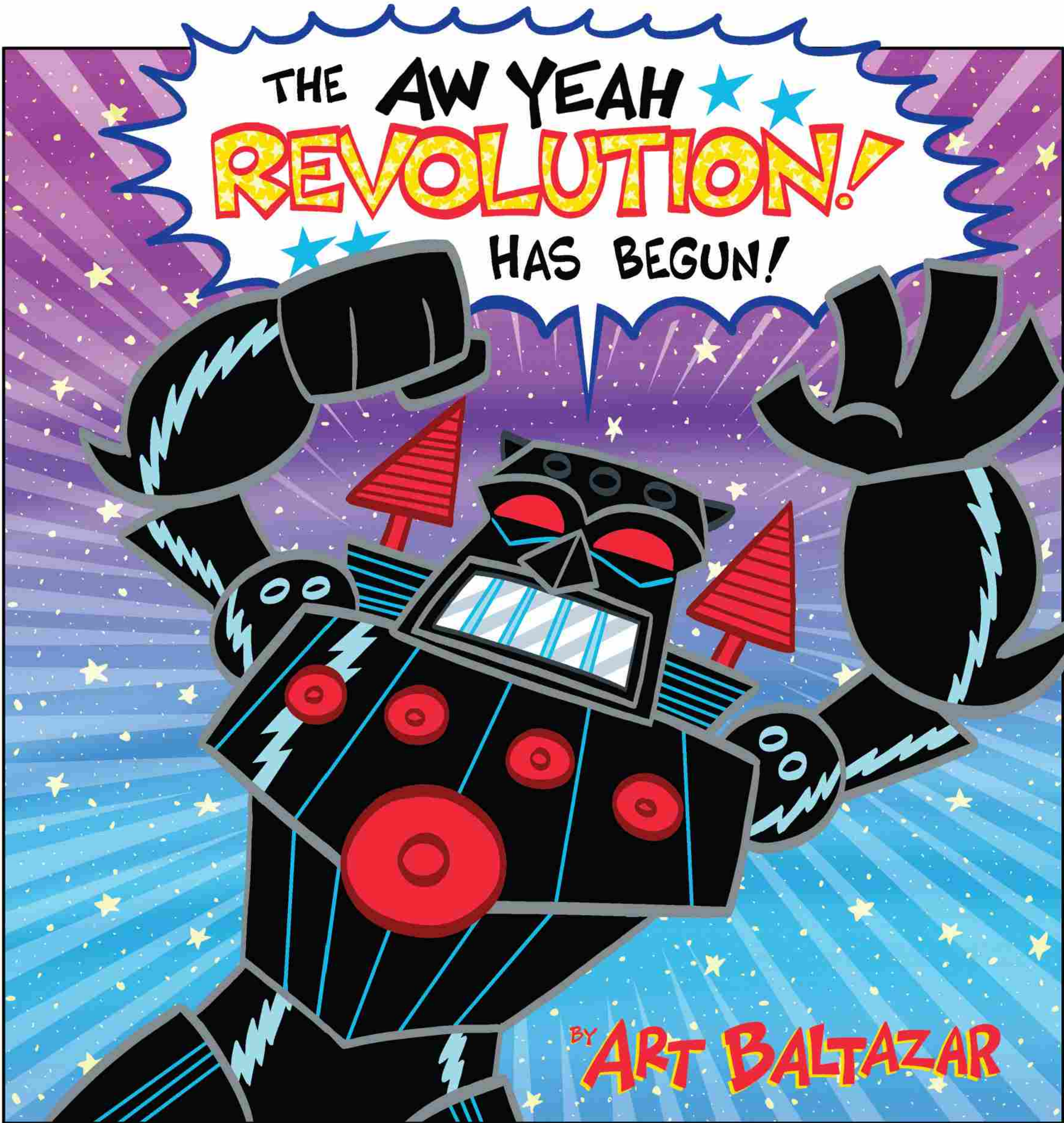


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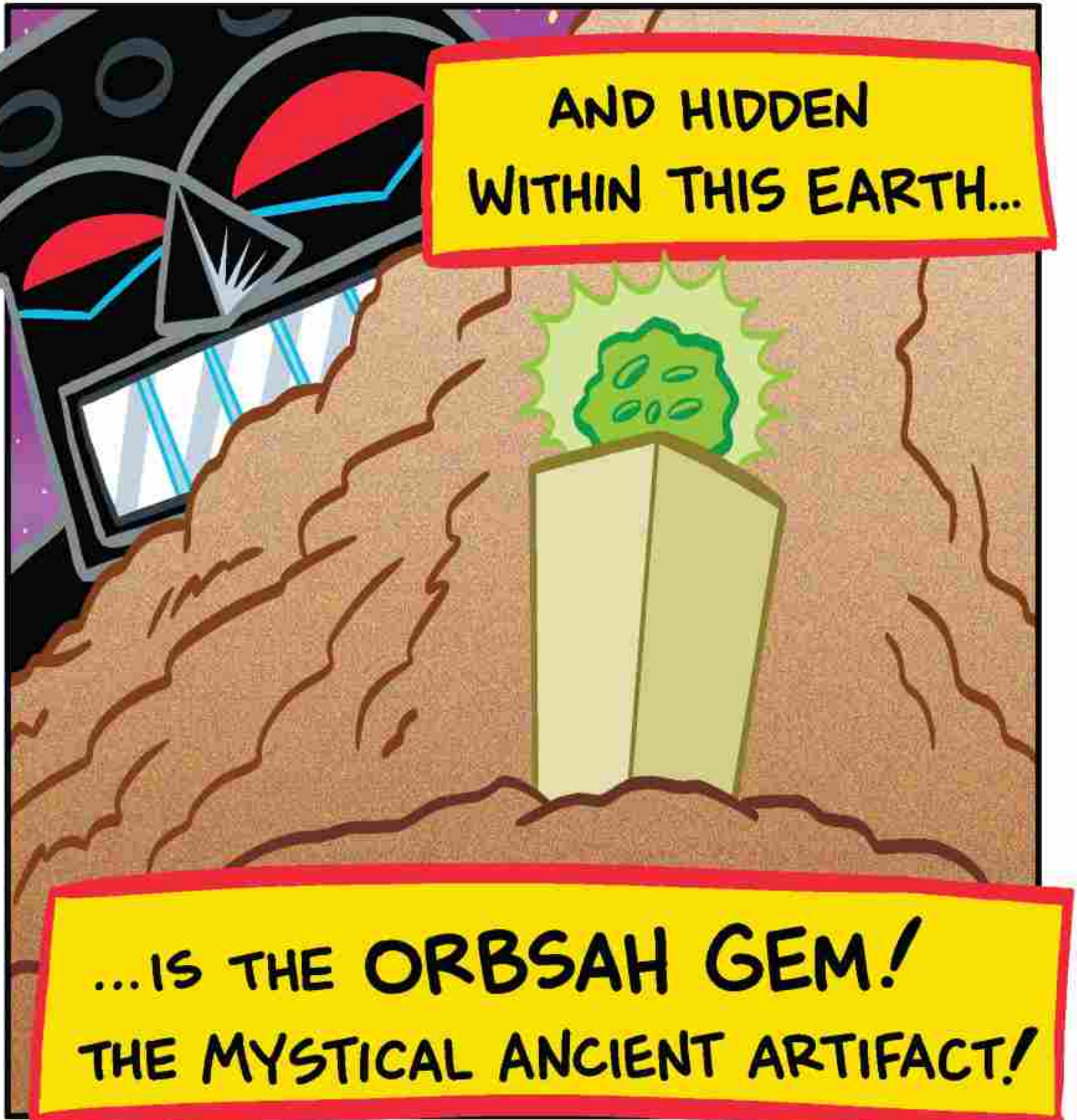
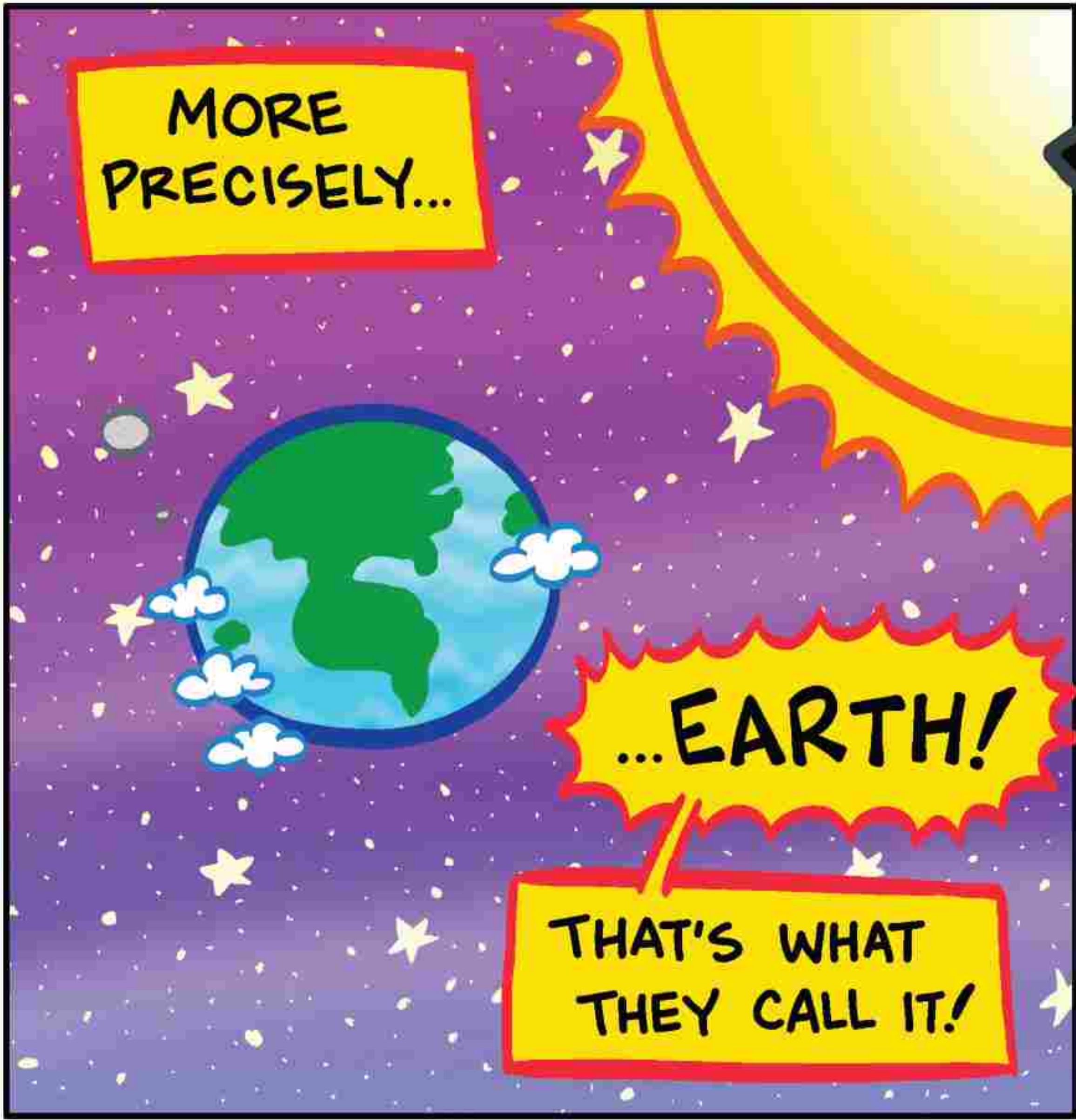
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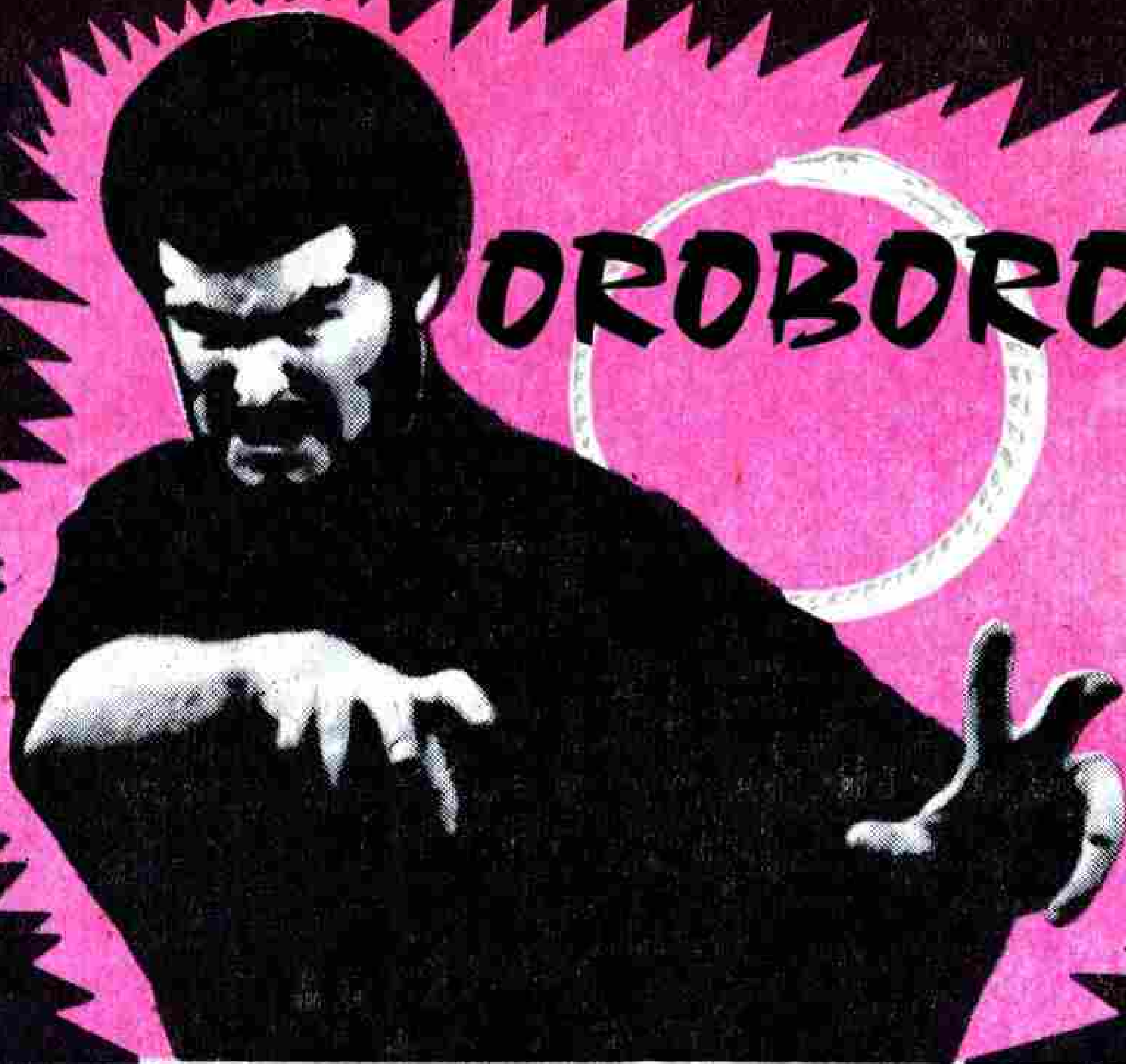
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